News from Bill Lyons
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
Carbondale, Ill. Phone 1020

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--A series of business and clerical courses will be featured in the winter schedule of adult night classes at University School here Registration for the non-credit courses, sponsored by SIU's Division of Technical and Adult Education, will be held at University School Thursday (Jan. 10) from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Tuition and book fees, ranging from $9.10 to $12 are payable at registration although Illinois veterans may present photostatic copies of discharge papers in lieu of cash payment.

All classes will meet for 12 weeks.

The schedule, with class meeting times:

Beginning typing--Mondays, 7-9:30 p.m.
Intermediate typing--Wednesdays, 7-9:30 p.m.
Beginning shorthand--Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7-8:15 p.m.
Intermediate shorthand--Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:15-9:30 p.m.
Shorthand speed building and transcription--Wednesdays, 7-9:30 p.m.
Bookkeeping I--Mondays, 7-9:30 p.m.
Bookkeeping II--Wednesdays, 7-9:30 p.m.
Secretarial office practice--Tuesdays, 7-9 p.m.

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Carbondale, Ill., Jan. -- After fairly successful holiday competition, the Southern Illinois University cagers resume play here this Saturday night against a dark horse Baker (Kans.) University club.

SIU compiled a 2-1 mark in three games played at area gyms during the holiday season, bowling over North Dakota University, 93-68, at Herrin and polishing off a strong Millikin University club, 90-85, at Flora, before losing an overtime decision to highly-rated Miami (Ohio) University, 77-72, at Harrisburg last Friday.

Southern averaged more than 50 percent in field goal shooting during the first two games, but dropped to only a 30 percent mark in the Miami tilt. It was against Miami, however, that Southern played some of its best defensive ball of recent years.

Up against one of the tallest teams in the nation--Miami had three 6-6 players and two 6-7--the Salukis kept pace with the rangey opponents despite a serious rebounding disadvantage.

Miami's two leading scorers, John Powell and 6-7 Wayne Embry--both averaging nearly 20 points a game--scored only 15 points between themselves. Using a press-type defense, Southern overcame a 37-31 halftime deficit to lead in the last seven minutes of play.

SIU had a four-point lead with only 12 seconds left, but a quick field goal, a rebound on a missed free throw, and a long side shot by substitute Miami guard Ken Babbs sent the game into overtime.

Highlight of the three-game holiday series was the scoring of Larry Whitlock, 6-5 center from Mt. Vernon, and the great improvement shown by freshman guard Richard Jones of Herrin and sophomore forward Seymour Bryson, Quincy, the team's top rebounder. Hitting in the double figures during at least one of the three games were regulars Gordon Lambert, Marion, and Warren Talley, Pinckneyville.

Against Baker, SIU Coach Lynn Holder plans to start Bryson and Talley at forward Whitlock, who is averaging 20 points a game for nine games, at center; and R. Jones and Lambert at guards.

Baker does not have an especially tall team, but does feature a 6-7 center, Charles Elswick of Harman, Va. Next tallest player is Bill Hidy, 6-5 freshman from Soldier, Kansas.

One of the top games on Southern's schedule will be next Thursday night (Jan. 10) as Southern clashes with a powerful once-beaten Beloit five. Beloit tripped previously unbeaten Wheaton, 74-72, in an overtime Tuesday (Jan. 1). Saturday (Jan. 12) SIU hosts Northern Illinois in an Interstate Conference game. -bh-

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Carbondale, Ill., Jan. -- The annual Southern Illinois University faculty art exhibit, featuring work done by staff members during the past year, will be shown at the Springfield Art Association of Edwards Place during February and March, it has been announced by Harris W. Jones, chairman of the Association's exhibit committee.

The exhibit will hang in the Association galleries at 700 N. Fourth Street from Feb. 27 through March 17. A member of the SIU art department faculty will deliver a public lecture at Edwards Place March 5.

Jones, who arranged for the exhibit, is a former Johnston City and Herrin newspaperman who became interested in SIU's art department after securing a collection of pottery by F. Carlton Ball, former head of the ceramics section, and his students.

The exhibit, including paintings, drawings, ceramics, jewelry, silversmithing, prints, sculpture and examples of product, shelter and visual design, will be shown on the Carbondale campus until Feb. 7.

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Carbondale, Ill., Jan. -- Ben Hartley of St. Louis, editor of The Pet Milk Magazine, will describe opportunities in the field of industrial and employee publications in a "Jobs in Journalism" lecture Jan. 16 at Southern Illinois University.

Sponsored by the department of journalism and the Journalism Students Association, the lecture will begin at 7:30 p.m. in University School Studio Theater.

Hartley will spend part of the day on the SIU campus visiting journalism classes, according to Dr. Howard R. Long, department chairman.

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Carbondale, Ill., Jan. -- Dr. Kurt Schussnigg, professor of political science at St. Louis University and a former chancellor of Austria, will deliver a public address at Southern Illinois University Jan. 22. Schussnigg will speak at 8 p.m. in the University's Library Auditorium.

The lecture, dealing with the position of a divided Germany in the area of world politics, is sponsored by the Carbondale League of Women Voters. Other agencies cooperating in the program are the local chapter of the American Association of University Women, the Carbondale Business and Professional Women's Club, and SIU's International Relations Club.

Schussnigg, a pre-World War victim of Hitler's Austrian "Anschluss," came to the U.S. in 1946. He received his citizenship papers last December.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., JAN. -- Southern Illinois University's swimming team, which routed Bradley University, 65-21, in its opening meet last Saturday (Jan. 5), meets strong Washington University at St. Louis Saturday (Jan. 12).

In running over Bradley, Southern won all 10 firsts and set four new varsity records. Establishing the new marks were Tom Harris, Highland Park, who swam the 50-yard freestyle in :25.5 (old record was :26.8), and John Huber, Hoopeston, who covered the 200-yard breaststroke event in 2:49.4 (old record was 2:50.5).

The other marks were made in new events as Laurence Benjamin, Highland Park, won the 200-yard butterfly in 2:50.3 and SIU's 400-yard medley relay team won in 4:50.9.

Among the winners were three freshmen: Harris, Benjamin, and Robert Schulhof, Chicago. Harris, who won both the 50 and 100-yard freestyle, was the meet's only double winner.

Others who won for Southern were Robert Montgomery, Grafton, 220-yard freestyle; Roger Counsil, Wood River, diving; and Rex Paddock, Grafton, 440-yard freestyle.

Members of Southern's winning relay teams were Alan Cline, Springfield; Dave Burkstaller, Wyatt, Mo.; Bruce Coleman, West Frankfort; Charles Strattan, Mt. Vernon, Wib Stoever, Chester; Paddock, and Montgomery.

Last year Washington University tripped Southern, 45-39.

SIU Coach Bill Heusner was pessimistic about his team's chances against Washington, but added a note of warning for the other teams on Southern's schedule. "The team is improving rapidly," he said, "and should be nearing its peak in a couple of weeks."

SIU"s first home meet will be against Beloit College at 2 p.m. (Saturday) Jan. 19.

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

SIU COUNTRY COLUMN

by Albert Meyer

Hog production is big business in Illinois, one of the leading sources of farm income in the state, according to Dr. Walter J. Wills, marketing specialist in the Southern Illinois University School of Agriculture. He says that present indications point to a rather favorable year ahead for the farmers who are producing hogs.

Farmers in the hog raising business are interested in the intentions of producers throughout the nation as reflected in estimates issued by the national Crop Reporting Board in June and December on the number of sows that will farrow during the following six months.

Current estimates are that two percent fewer sows will farrow in the spring of 1957 than during the same period last year. Most of this decline will be in the late farrowings of March through May because the number of early litters--December to February--is expected to be about the same as last year.

Wills says this ought to mean that the summer high in prices for hogs again will come in late June or July. The decline from this peak may not be as much during 1957 as it was in 1956, and the summer hog prices likely will be the highest since 1954.

Such assumptions are based on past experience and the declared intentions of the hog producing farmers. Low prices in late 1955 and early 1956 accounted for the fact that the nation's farmers cut hog production by six percent during 1956. The depressing effect of a heavy run of hogs on the markets, as occurred last winter, is not likely to be repeated because reports indicate there are now on the farms about 15 percent fewer hogs of six months old or over.

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For Illinois the production picture does not match up exactly with the national outlook. Here indications are that no change in spring farrowing is contemplated for 1957 although more sows will be farrowing early than last year. The number of fall pigs was up two percent over the previous year.

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Illinois hog producers had 680,000 sows farrowing last fall. Total production in the state for 1956 was more than 11,000,000 hogs, indicating the size of this farm enterprise in Illinois. Only Iowa ranks ahead of Illinois in swine production.

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Of course, other economics factors than the number of hogs produced for market may affect the price farmers receive for swine. The volume and price of other kinds of meat, as well as the selling job that is done for competing lines of meat, will have an effect on the amount of pork consumed.

Because farmers can produce two litters of pigs annually, the total picture of hog numbers can be changed fairly rapidly in comparison with some other kinds of livestock. If prices are higher during the first half of 1957, the tendency will be for farmers to start boosting hog production so that by next year a downward trend may be started by increasing numbers of hogs.

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The meat-type hog, of course, is receiving emphasis among swine producers today. Any old hog doesn't fill the bill. The market wants a hog that has a low yield of fat and trim. Approximately three-fourths of the carcass weight should be in the five primal cuts--ham, bacon belly, loin, boston butt and picnic--because these are what the consumer wants. The meat-type hog is somewhat longer than is usual for the lard-type breeds. The top line is level and the body is full in the ham, narrow along the back and shoulder, with a deep, full body. The bacon slab should be of uniform thickness and be well-streaked with lean.

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Additional registrations for an adult night course in "Draperies and Slipcovers" will be accepted at a 6:45 p.m. meeting Wednesday (Jan. 9) in the Southern Illinois University home economics department. The department is located on the first floor of Old Main.

Tuition for the 12-week course, offered by the SIU Division of Technical and Adult Education, is $7.20 and students will be responsible for the purchase of their own material. The class will meet on Wednesdays from 7 to 10 p.m.

Elizabeth Crowley, home economics lecturer at SIU, will teach the course. It will include selection of materials, measuring, cutting, stitching, sewing and fitting as well as demonstration and lecture sessions.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., JAN. -- Highly-regarded and only once-defeated Beloit College (Wisc.) clashes here Thursday night (Jan. 10) against an improving Southern Illinois University team.

Southern blasted Baker College (Kans.), 90-46, here Saturday (Jan. 5) in a lop-sided win, despite liberal use of SIU reserves.

Beloit's 6-1 record includes an 88-81 victory over Gustavus Adolphus and a 74-72 overtime win over previously unbeaten Wheaton College Jan. 1. Beloit's only loss was an 84-71 decision to Millikin University, a 90-85 victim of Southern.

Beloit plays Washington University at St. Louis Wednesday night prior to the clash with the Salukis here Thursday.

Probable starters for Beloit are Don Williams (6-2), a former Benton (Ill.) youth now living in Taylorville, and Ed Hager (6-2), Jefferson, Wisc., at forwards; Jack Sanders (6-5), Bellewood, (Ill.,) center; and Garry Whitlow (5-8), Taylorville, and captain Jerry Leggett (5-9), Moline, (Ill.,) guards.

Beloit's basketball coach, Dolph Stanley, is well-known in the Southern Illinois area. A native of Marion, Stanley is the only Illinois high school coach to have taken teams from three different towns (Mount Pulaski, Equality, and Taylorville) to the state basketball tournament. His 1944-45 Taylorville team won 45 straight games in gaining the state title.

Southern will stick to its usual starters: Seymour Bryson (6-4), Quincy, and Warren Talley (6-3), Pinckneyville, forwards; Larry Whitlock (6-5), Mt. Vernon, center; and Richard Jones (5-9), Herrin, and captain Gordon Lambert (6-3), Marion, guards.

Whitlock is averaging just under 20 points a game in SIU's 10 games. Southern's season record is 6-4.

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A top center prospect, Marvin Jones (6-2), East St. Louis, is now scholastically ineligible and will miss the rest of the season. Jones was one of the team's leading rebounders and sported a "fade-away" shot which was both hard to guard against and accurate.

SIU Coach Lynn Holder calls Jones one of the best freshmen he has ever coached and hopes he can rejoin the squad next season.

In the Baker rout, Southern used 14 players--more than the number used during the entire 1955-56 campaign.

Southern will meet Northern Illinois in an Interstate Conference battle here Saturday (Jan. 12) night. John Olson (6-3) of Northern is averaging 21.8 in six games for one of the nation's top scoring marks.

A strong Mt. Vernon Independent team, paced by last year's SIU captain, Joe Johnson, plays Southern's Junior Varsity in Thursday's preliminary against Beloit, while the SIU Jayvees oppose Scott Field as the prelim to the Northern Illinois contest.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--Featuring a brand new format as well as a host of historical features on the Black Hawk War, "Illinois History", newly revamped publication of the Illinois State Historical Society, rolled off Southern Illinois University Presses this week.

The SIU Press began printing the monthly publication, formerly the "Illinois Junior Historian," with the January issue. Editorial headquarters, however, will remain in Springfield.

In a statement explaining purposes of the new magazine, Editor Phyllis E. Underwood said, "Each issue will center around one single theme so that we can explore all the details that make an historical event really live for us." A quiz and a bibliography also have been added as regular features.

Articles in coming months, most of them to be written by junior high school students throughout Illinois, will deal with Abraham Lincoln, industry in Illinois, Illinois state government, and agriculture in Illinois.

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NEWS from Bill Lyons 1/8/57
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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--William Moll, a Sikeston, Mo. sophomore, will play Romeo to a pair of alternating Juliets when the Southern Players of Southern Illinois University stage the timeless Shakespearian romantic tragedy here during the week of Feb.11.

Scheduled to play the role of Juliet on alternate nights during the six-night run are Jane Herr, Warrensburg sophomore, and Louise Ritter, a Carbondale graduate student.

Dr. Archibald McLeod, professor of speech, will direct the play, assisted by C.V. Bennett, Carbondale graduate student, and Jeanene Sweet, a sophomore from West Frankfort.

Curtain time will be 8 p.m. on each of the six nights, Feb. 11-16. Single admissions are $1 at the door.

"Romeo and Juliet" is the third production on the Players' 1956-57 playbill. Other plays on the schedule are Tennessee Williams' "A Streetcar Named Desire" and "Our American Cousin," a 19th century comedy melodrama.

Other players in the "Romeo and Juliet" cast are:

CARBONDALE: C.V. Bennett, John Thomas Sill
CHICAGO: James Meikle (4019 N. Leamington,) Catherine McGowan (7231 S. Princeton)
DUPO: David Brookbank
E. St. LOUIS: Victor Cook (517 N. 87th)
GRANITE CITY: Beverly Fossieck
HARTFORD: Jerry Renken
HIGHLAND PARK: Richard Gibson (1705 McGovern)
METROPOLIS: Linda Adams
NEW ATHENS: Richard Hunsaker
PETERSBURG: Donald Bailey
RICHVIEW: Doris Draege
SALEM: David Ogg
WINCHESTER: Dorothy Beck
WOOD RIVER: Jerry Feezel
WORCESTER, MASS.: Margaret Chaffee (914 Main)

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CARBONDALE, ILL., JAN. -- D. Wayne Rowland, assistant professor of journalism at Southern Illinois University, has been named assistant to the editor of The Quill, magazine published by Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalism fraternity.

The appointment was announced by Sol Taishoff, Washington, D.C. national president of the organization and chairman of The Quill's publication board. Taishoff is editor and publisher of Broadcasting-Telecasting, weekly publication in the radio and television field.

Editor of The Quill is Charles C. Clayton, visiting professor of journalism at Southern Illinois University and a past national president of the journalism organization.

Rowland joined the SIU journalism department faculty in June, 1955, after receiving a master's degree from the Missouri School of Journalism. At Southern, he specializes in teaching community journalism.

Rowland has edited and published several weekly newspapers and a daily paper in Southwest Missouri, including The Willow Springs News, The Seymour Citizen, The Barton County Republican, The Sheldon Enterprise, and The Lamar Daily Journal. He is a past president of the Ozark Press Association.

Rowland is married and has five children.

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ANNA, ILL., Jan. --Psychologists and psychiatrists throughout the state will participate in a series of mental health seminars beginning Jan. 8 at Anna State Hospital and sponsored by the Southern Illinois University Extension Division.

John C. Kelley, professor of sociology and anthropology at Southern Illinois University, led off the series Tuesday (Jan. 8) with a discussion of "Cultural Variations in Personality Development."

Other speakers scheduled for the bi-monthly sessions include: Dr. Agnes Sharp, Consulting psychologist for the Garden City Envelope Co., Chicago; Dr. Rudolph Dreikurs, practicing psychiatrist, Chicago; Dr. Leonard Horecker, clinical director of Anna State Hospital; Dr. Bruno Bettleheim, director of the Orthogenic School, University of Chicago, and Dr. Percival Bailey, director of the Illinois State Psychopathic Institute.

Other speakers from Southern are Dr. Oliver Yolstoe, chairman of the department of special education; Dr. Henry N. Weiman, distinguished visiting professor of philosophy, and Dr. Noble Kelley, chairman of the department of psychology.

The series, centering on problems involved in personality and mental health features a one hour lecture, another hour for open discussion, and a 30-minute "coffee break" for informal visiting with the lecturer. It is being offered as an SIU extension course for two hours of credit.

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(EDITOR: Note courses offered in your area. Please check local public school administrators for places where classes will be held.)

CARBONDALE, ILL., JAN. -- Forty-three off-campus courses for college credit are being offered by the Southern Illinois University Extension Division in 29 area towns during the spring semester, according to Dean Raymond H. Dey.

In addition, 12 courses for resident credit will be offered at Belleville through the SIU Resident Center, Dey said. Persons living in Madison, St. Clair and nearby counties may obtain additional information concerning these courses by contacting Director Harold W. See at the SIU Resident Center, Broadview Hotel, East St. Louis.

Classes will meet weekly for 16 weeks, mainly in local schools, although courses also are being taught at Anna State Hospital and at Menard State Penitentiary. Both graduate and undergraduate work are offered.

Here is the spring semester schedule of courses and dates of first class meetings:

ALTON: History of the West (History 444), Jan. 31; Illinois School Law (Education 412), Jan. 28; Language Arts in Elementary School (Education 542), Jan. 28; Speech Correction for the Classroom Teacher (Speech 428 or Guidance 428), Jan. 30; The School Library as an Information Center (Library Science 306), Jan. 31.

ANNA: Personality Development and Mental Health I (Psychology 430), Anna State Hospital, Jan. 8; Art Education (Art 300), Jan. 28.

BELLEVILLE (all for resident credit):Elementary School Curriculum (Education 461), Jan. 31; Extra Class Activities (Education 470), Jan. 30; Mental Hygiene (Psychology 412), Jan. 29; Problems in Reading (Education 437), Jan. 31; Seminar in Speech Correction (Speech 522), Jan. 30; School Administration (Education 424), Jan. 28; School Finance (Education 534), Jan. 29; School Supervision (Education 456), Jan. 28; School Behavior Problems and Their Prevention (Guidance 525), Jan. 30; Tests and Measurements (Guidance 421, 422), Jan. 29; The Guidance Worker as a Counselor (Guidance 542), Jan. 28; The Metaphysical Poets (English 517), Jan. 30.

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BENTON: Usage in Spoken and Written English (English 391), Jan. 29; Basic Rhythms and Folk Dancing (Physical Education 324), Jan. 31.

CAIRO: Music Understanding (Music 100), Jan. 30; The Exceptional Child (Special Education 414), Jan. 30.

CARBONDALE: Art Education (Art 300), Jan. 29.

CARMI: Vegetable Gardening (Agriculture 260), Jan. 31; Teaching Elementary School Group Activities (Physical Education 319), Jan. 30; American National Government (Government 100), Jan. 28.

CENTRALIA: Library Materials for Children (Library Service 405), Jan. 31.

DUQUOIN: American Public Education (Education 331), Jan. 29.

FAIRFIELD: Audio-Visual Education (Education 417), Jan. 29; Tests and Measurements (Guidance 421, 422), Jan. 29.

FLORA: Introduction to Physiology (Physiology 209), Jan. 29.

GOLCONDA: Illinois Government (Government 330), to be followed by History of Illinois (History 308), Jan. 31.

GRANITE CITY: Elementary Accounting I (Business Administration 251), Jan. 29; Freshman Composition (English 101), Jan. 29; Global Georgraphy (Geography 100), Jan. 29.

GREENVILLE: The Elementary School Curriculum (Education 461), Jan. 28.

HARRISBURG: Heredity and Eugenics (Zoology 314), Jan. 28; Survey Course in Home Economics (Home Economics 414), Jan. 30.

HERRIN: American Government (Government 300), Jan. 30.

MARION: Principles of Geology (Geology 100), Jan. 30.

McLEANSBORO: Reading in the Elementary Schools (Education 337), Jan. 28.

MENARD (CHESTER): Reporting Special Events (Journalism 392), Mar. 6.

METROPOLIS: Reading in the Elementary Schools (Education 337), Jan. 31.

MT. VERNON: The Teaching of Elementary Mathematics (Mathematics 210), Jan. 29; General Agriculture (Agriculture 310), Jan. 29.

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MURPHYSBORO: Methods and Materials in Elementary School Health Education (Health Education 350), Jan. 30.

OLNEY: Integration of Audio-Visual Methods in the Classroom (Education 546), Jan. 30.

RIDGWAY: Speech Correction for the Classroom Teacher (Speech 428 or Guidance 428), Jan. 28.

ROSICLARE: Elementary Accounting I (Business Administration 251), Jan. 10.

SALEM: Usage in Spoken and Written English (English 391), Jan. 29.

VIENNA: Economic Zoology (Zoology 350), Jan. 30.

WATERLOO: Reading in the Elementary Schools (Education 337), Jan. 29.

WEST FRANKFORT: Juvenile Delinquency (Sociology 240), Jan, 30.

WOLF LAKE: Tests and Measurements (Guidance 421, 422), Jan. 29.

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

SIU COUNTRY COLUMN
By Albert Meyer

Too often farmers neglect the job of collecting samples properly for testing the soil in fields where fertilizer applications are contemplated. This may be due to carelessness or to a lack of know-how about the methods for gathering composite representative samples.

The value of good sampling and impartial testing ought to be obvious. Only with the results of such work known can the farmer intelligently apply the amounts and kinds of fertilizer needed. It is a waste of hard-earned money to apply fertilizers for which no need is indicated. Nor is it economical to apply less fertilizer than is needed because in such instances maximum returns are not obtained for the expenditure of time and effort in applying the material.

Sampling a field properly isn't a difficult job. An information sheet as a guide usually may be obtained from the county farm adviser's office. Simple supplies, besides the information sheet, include soil cartons and a sampling tool. Soil cartons may be available at the farm adviser's office, but if not, the farmer may use pint-size ice cream cartons or boxes such as are used for storing produce in home freezers.

A small sampling auger or soil tube is the handiest gadget for taking the soil sample, but a spade or large trowel may be used. When using a spade for collecting samples, first dig a V-shaped hole to plowing depth and then remove a slice of soil one-half inch thick from one side of the hole. Trim soil away from each side of the slice until there is but a thin ribbon of soil down the center of the spadeface. Place this ribbon of soil in a clean pail with 10 or 15 other samples from a specified area of the field having similar land characteristics, and mix thoroughly to form a composite sample. Put a half-pint from each composite sample in a carton and label, discarding the rest of the soil. (more)

Perhaps part of the above discussion is slightly ahead of the story. Before starting to take samples the farmer needs to divide the farm into fields, and the fields into areas of five or ten acres which have a similar type of plant growth, a similar past management history, or similar topography and soil appearance. For example, different sampling areas would be set up for level upland, gently sloping, more steeply sloping, and bottomland parts of a field.

From each of the areas take 15 or 20 samples spaced rather uniformly to form a composite sample. Avoid sampling the unusual soil areas, such as dead furrows, back furrows, terrace channels, windbreaks, old fence lines, marshy spots, forested areas, places near lime rock roads, spots where band fertilizer may have been used the past season, or near the boundary between slopes and bottomlands, because these are not representative of the field and will not give a soil test that is reliable for fertility applications.

Having roughly determined the areas for each composite sample, prepare a sketch or map of the field and make sure that the soil sample cartons are labeled the same as the field map areas from which each composite sample was taken. If this is done, the returns from the soil testing laboratory will give the farmer an accurate knowledge of how to match the information with the field in applying his limestone and fertilizers. Farm advisers are a reliable source of information on where to send soil samples for testing.

Pasture land intended for improvement needs soil samples taken only from the top two inches of the soil.

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Number 185 in a weekly series--"It Happened in Southern Illinois"--a series consisting of regional folklore and historical accounts suitable for feature, column or editorial use.

AN EARLY ILLINOIS LITERARY FIGURE

John W. Allen
Southern Illinois University

When 27 year old James Hall landed from an "ark" or keelboat at Shawneetown in the early spring of 1820, Illinois acquired a valuable citizen, one who was to wield a considerable influence for several years. This influence was to be exerted in several fields, including law, state politics, the field of general education, and that of literature, where he was to become a pioneer.

Hall was born at Philadelphia in 1793. As a youth he received a liberal education. When the War of 1812 came, Hall volunteered for military service and shortly became a lieutenant of artillery. He remained in the military for several years, serving with distinction under Stephen Decatur during that officer's daring campaign in Algiers.

In 1818 Hall resigned his commission and opened a law office in Pittsburg, where he was only moderately prosperous. Hearing much about opportunities in Illinois, he decided to come to this state. He found Shawneetown a prosperous river town, and tells us that there were about 100 homes there, 12 stores, two excellent taverns, two banks, the United States land office, a postoffice, and a newspaper. Along with these there were the shops of tailors, shoemakers, bakers, coopers, hatters, blacksmiths, gunsmiths, cabinet makers, and other craftsmen essential to the pioneer community.

Hall states that there were five or six brick buildings, several of frame and that the others were of logs. The streets were muddy and filled with pools of water left by receding floods or by heavy rains. There was no sewage disposal, and much debris, including an occasional dead animal, littered the place.

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Shawneetown was then a typical booming river town, crude, disorderly, and dangerous as such towns often were. There were many fights of the biting, goughing kind. Despite these apparent handicaps it was a center of trades and one of the state's important towns.

There was much about Shawneetown that appealed to Hall. He accordingly opened an office there and began to practice law. In addition to law, he became interested in newspaper work. On May 22, 1820, he bought a half interest in the ILLINOIS GAZETTE, the second newspaper established in the state. His partner in this enterprise was Henry Eddy, a prominent lawyer, businessman and politician. This partnership remained effective until November 22, 1822 when political differences apparently induced them to dissolve it.

Hall began to attract attention because of his boldness and honesty. In the winter of 1821 he was appointed as prosecuting attorney for the ten southern counties of the state. This was a challenging assignment. Hall's comments concerning his observances and experiences furnish much insight into conditions then existing in Illinois. He tells that there were communities where horsethiefs seemed to rule, others where counterfeiting was much in vogue, and still others where the law abiding element had formed into a "regulator" group to promote the enforcement of the laws.

Hall's reputation as an able and willing prosecuting attorney continued to grow. He apparently worked at his job, even helping to apprehend and bring offenders into court. His recognition as a successful attorney was much increased by his prosecution of John Darr, who "not having the fear of God before his eyes, but being moved and seduced by the instigation of the Devil" had stabbed William Thomason" to the depth of eight inches,.thereby causing instand death." This crime was committed on September 7, 1823. Justice must have been speedy then, for Darr was brought to trial nine days later and duly convicted of murder.

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Hall was appointed as a circuit judge and began to serve in March, 1825, at Shawneetown. On May 14, 1825 Shawneetown was honored by a visit from General Lafayette. Judge Hall had a prominent part in the ceremonies connected with the visit, delivering the very able welcome address that was repeated by C. K. Roedel on May 14, 1925 when the reception of 1825, was re-enacted.

On February 12, 1827, Hall became state treasurer, defeating Colonel Abner Field the other aspirant. Field became very angry at the politicians whom he charged with betraying him, burst into the room where they were still assembled, and before they could escape had soundly thrashed four of them. Politics in those days must have been rugged.

While serving as state treasurer, Hall and others on December 8, 1827, formed the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Illinois. Hall was elected its first president. Because of the difficulties of attending meetings and because of the lack of funds, this first organization did not survive for long.

Near the close of 1828 Hall published the first annual or gift book issued west of Ohio. This publication of 324 pages 3 by 5½ inches, bound in glossy red silk, contained 53 selected articles. His next literary publication was the ILLINOIS MONTHLY MAGAZINE that appeared in October, 1829, being the first periodical issued in Illinois.

Hall wrote many articles and books. Among these were: "Sketches of the West," "Tales of the Border," "Notes on the Western States," "Romance of Western History," "History of the Indian Tribes," and "Letters from the West." Hall's writings, perhaps more than any other persons of that time, served to call to attention the stories and legends of the then West. They are still source material for those who would understand the West as it was 150 years ago.

In 1833 Hall removed to Cincinnati where he served as cashier of a bank and continued to write. He died in 1866.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--Southern Illinois University is inviting school children throughout Southern Illinois to a free concert by the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra here the afternoon of Feb. 6.

Dr. Henry Bruinsma, chairman of the SIU Music department, said invitations have been sent to music educators throughout the area and that blocks of 50 seats will be reserved in Shryock Auditorium for each accepting school. The concert begins at 3 p.m., but after 2:40 o'clock all unfilled seats will be offered free to the general public, Bruinsma said.

The unusual offer is possible because the world-famous orchestra, appearing here as a Community Concerts Association attraction the night of Feb. 6, has a gap in the travel schedule. Admission to the evening concert, however, is open only to members of the Association.

Gerard Samuel, associate conductor, will direct the afternoon appearance. Conductor Antal Dorati will take the podium for the evening concert.

The student program will open with the "Overture to William Tell," by Rossini (which may surprise the"Lone Ranger" fans;) Beethoven's "Symphony No. 4 in B flat;" a group of Roumanian folk dances by Bartok, and selection's from "Porgy and Bess."

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CARBONDALE, ILL. Jan.--Two of the nation's eminent chamber musicians, violinist William Kroll and pianist Artur Balsam, will be presented in a sonata recital here Monday (Jan. 21.) The program, sponsored by the Carbondale Friends of Chamber Music, begins at 8:15 p.m. in Southern Illinois University's Shryock Auditorium.

Kroll, who studied at the Royal Conservatory in Berlin and the Institute of Musical Arts, was violinist in the Elshuco Trio, first violinist with the Coolidge Quartet from 1935 to 1945, and founder of the Kroll String Quartet in 1945. A co-chairman of the Department of Chamber Music at the annual Tanglewood Music Festival, Kroll has been awarded the Library of Congress' Coolidge Medal for service to chamber music.

Balsam, a native of Poland, is a former soloist with the NBC Symphony Orchestra as well as guest artist with the Budapest and Guilet Quartets. He studied in both Poland and Berlin.

Both artists have recorded for Decca, Columbia, and other major recording companies.

The sponsoring group consists of area music lovers who subscribe memberships in order to insure against losses in the sale of regular tickets. The "Carbondale Friends" present some three chamber music recitals by major artists each year.

Tickets are priced at $1 for the general public and 50 cents for students. SIU freshmen with activity tickets are admitted free. A membership in the organization is $10.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--Something new in band concerts is being offered to area music patricians Thursday (Jan. 17) when the Southern Illinois University Concert Band presents its annual winter-term recital here. The concert, free to the public, begins at 8:15 p.m. in Shryock Auditorium.

The band, a select organization composed of 45 virtuoso musicians from the 100-piece University Symphonic Band, will unleash a program of ultra-modern music, all scored expressly for a full wind-instrument organization. And to help newcomers through the stormier harmonic passages, Dr. Henry Bruinsma, chairman of the SIU music department, will present "helpful program notes" before each composition.

Under the direction of Phillip Olsson, the band will lead off with a sharply dissonant "Celebration Overture," by Paul Creston, followed by Eric Leidzen's "First Swedish Rhapsody," Virgil Thomson's "A Solemn Music," and "Suite Francaise," by Darius Milhaud. Post-intermission selections will be "Suite in F for Band," by F. M. Breydert; "Divertimento for Band," by Vincent Perischetti, and Serge Prokofieff's rousing "Athletic Festival March."

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--A lecture by Roy Harris, distinguished visiting professor of music, and a public concert by the University String Quartet will highlight the annual regional convention of the Illinois Federation of Music Clubs at Southern Illinois University Saturday (Jan. 19.)

Harris will be the main speaker at an afternoon discussion of "Contemporary Music and Music Education." The discussion will be moderated by Dr. Robert Mueller, assistant professor of music at SIU and state director of composition for the Federation.

The problems of stringed instrument instruction will be discussed by a panel of music educators in a 3:30 p.m. session following Harris' lecture. Serving on the panel will be Miss Beulah Zander, state supervisor of music; Melvin Siener, music director of DuQuoin Township High School; W. H. Beckmeyer, director of music at Mt. Vernon Township High School; Dr. Charles Neal, director of teacher training at SIU; and Dr. John Wharton, assistant professor of music at Southern.

Oboist Robert Forman, pianist Steven Barwick, and Wharton, violinist, will be featured in the string quartet recital at 7:30 p.m.

The entire program will be conducted in the SIU Library Auditorium, beginning at 2 p.m. Music educators from throughout Southern Illinois are expected for the program, which is sponsored by the SIU Music Department.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--Alex Reed dairy specialist at Southern Illinois University, will discuss "Dairying in India" at the regular meeting of the Southern Illinois Dairy Technology Society in Mt. Vernon Thursday (Jan. 17.)

New officers of the Society will be elected at a business session. The group will meet for dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the L and N Cafe in Mt. Vernon.

Reed, a member of the SIU agriculture department faculty since 1946, returned in July from a two-year assignment at the Allahabad Agriculture Institute in India where he carryed on research in dairying. The assignment was under a University of Illinois exchange program with the Institute. His discussion will be illustrated with color slides depicting his experiences and observations.

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CAIRO, ILL., JAN. -- Everybody will get into the act at Southern Illinois University's Newspaper Editorial Policies Workshop Jan. 26-27 in Cairo if Director Charles C. Clayton has his way.

Designed as a "let your hair down" meeting for editors of small daily newspapers, the weekend workshop will be built around informatl discussion periods without rigid time limitations, Clayton explained. The object, he said, is to make everyone a participant, not a spectator.

The SIU visiting professor of journalism, who also is editor of The Quill, magazine for journalists, expects about 35 newsmen to attend the meeting. Registration on Saturday morning, Jan. 26, will be followed by a tour of the newspaper plant at The Cairo Evening Citizen, which is cooperating with SIU's Department of Journalism in setting up the workshop.

All workshop sessions, beginning with Saturday's "get acquainted" luncheon, will be held at Hotel Cairo. On Saturday afternoon, editors will explain their needs to representatives of the wire services which supply daily newspapers with non-local news.

Discussion topics and leaders will include: "How Small Town Dailies and Radio Stations Can Live Together" by Marshall H. Poole, general manager of Station WVLN, Olney; and "How To Develop Features and Good Local Pictures With a Small Staff" by William C. Boyne, editor of The Southern Illinoisan, Carbondale. Editorial promotion and the small daily's role in community leadership also will be considered, Clayton said.

Speaker at the Saturday evening dinner will be Paul Tiblier, managing editor of the Jackson, Miss., State Times, two-year-old daily newspaper which has survived severe competition in an era when many dailies are folding. Tiblier will be accompanied by the State Times' publisher, O. A. Robinson.

The workshop will close with a combination breakfast-lunch Sunday morning, Jan. 27. A $15 workshop fee covers all expenses.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--The world premiere performance of Elie Siegmeister's second violin sonata is among the highlights of Southern Illinois University's Second Annual Festival of Fine Arts beginning here March 31.

Dr. Henry Bruinsma, chairman of the SIU department and director of the Festival, has announced that Louis Krasmer, world-famous violinist, will play the Siegmeister composition along with other modern works by Berg, Ravel, Prokofieff and Stravinsky in his April 15 recital concluding the festival. Bruinsma said Siegmeister, a top American composer, may play the piano part in the performance of his composition, "Sonata No. 2 for Violin and Piano."

Other major attractions scheduled during the two-week cultural fair include a recital of medieval and Renaissance music by Suzanne Bloch, renowned lutenist and player of virginals and recorders, ancient period instruments; a production of Ibsen's "Peer Gynt" by the Canadian Players of Stratford, Ont.; a lecture-recital by pianist Boris Goldowski; a dance recital by the Henry Street Playhouse, and an exhibition of primitive African sculpture.

Also scheduled are a symposium on primitive and modern art forms; a concert of contemporary English and American band music; a lecture by composer and visiting distinguished professor of music, Roy Harris; a recital of modern piano; a program of modern piano, choir and woodwind music; SIU Opera Workshop productions of Puccini's "Gianni Schichi" and the Vaughan-Williams adaptation of "Riders to the Sea," and a recital by the University String Quartet.

Krasner, a brilliant concert violinist who has played solo roles in the United States and Europe since 1930, is most famous for his recording of Alban Berg's Violin Concerto with the Cleveland Orchestra, voted by critics as the outstanding contemporary recording of 1941. He also has played with the Boston Symphony, Philadelphia Orchestra, Chicago Orchestra, Minneapolis Symphony, Vienna Philharmonic, Berlin Philharmonic, and British Broadcasting Company Orchestras.

All Festival attractions, averaging two a day during the two weeks, are free and open to the public.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--Southern Illinois University's new mother and her seven babies are progressing nicely, according to Dr. Robert A. Scott, chemistry professor who witnessed the births.

The mother is Ornah Farouk, female half of a pair of purebred Salukis presented as mascots to Southern last fall by W. W. Vandeveer, Rocky River, Ohio (21620 Avalon Drive,) past president of the SIU Alumni Association. Vandeveer is president of the Ashland Oil Company. The Saluki is an ancient Egyptian hunting dog resembling a greyhound.

Born "all day long" last Tuesday (Jan. 8,) the litter consists of two males and five females, Scott said. He is keeping the Saluki family, including the sire, Burydown Datis, in kennels at his home in Carbondale.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--The seventh annual Southern Illinois University Kappa Alpha Mu Photo Fair, jointly sponsored by the SIU chapter of KAM and the SIU journalism department, will be held at SIU February 23-24. The annual photographic competition and exhibition is an important part of the fair, says Robert McMurtrie, KAM chapter president. It is open to both amateur and professional photographers.

Photo Fair entries must be received no later than February 15 to be eligible for judging. First, second and third place awards will be presented during the program in three classifications of entries: news, portrait and commercial. The Best Print of Show will receive a special award. An entry fee of $1.00 per person, with no limit on number of entries, will be required.

Prospective exhibitors may write McMurtrie in care of the SIU Photo Service.

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Carbondale, Illinois, Jan. -- Southern Illinois University's crack debate wosome of Richard Rieke and Joseph Selement established themselves among the country's eading teams last weekend (Jan. 11-12) when they won the Millsaps College nvitational Tournament at Jackson, Miss., the South's biggest meet.

Rieke, of Carbondale, and Selement, DuQuoin, have now won all three tournaments ntered this year, compiling a record of 24 winning rounds against only two defeats. t Millsaps they won the championship decision from Southwest Missouri (Springfield) ollege after vanquishing Southeastern (Okla.) College, Kansas State University and ouisiana College in the runoffs.

Southern's women's team of Marsha Wiehn and Regina Miller, both of DuQuoin, on second place in the women's division at Millsaps, topping Louisiana Tech, ouisiana State University and the University of Alabama before losing to a second niversity of Alabama entry in the finals.

Peter Morris, Carbondale, and Ted Foster, Mt. Vernon, second SIU men's entry, urvived the preliminaries but were eliminated by the University of Houston in the irst of the finals series.

Three other SIU teams posted a nine-won, six-lost record the same weekend at he Illinois Normal University Invitational, bringing Southern's total squad record or the school year to 102 wins and 37 defeats.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

SPARTA, ILL., JAN. -- Representatives of three Illinois farm organizations will present a panel discussion to headline the program of the Southern Illinois Editorial Association winter meeting at Sparta, Saturday. SIEA president Robert Evans, McLeansboro Times-Leader, will serve as moderator.

Oscar Brissenden, assistant to the state president, will represent the Illinois Agricultural Association; Ralph Bradley, state president, the Farmers Union; and Dorsey Kirk, master, the Illinois State Grange. Each panel member has been asked to explain the major policies of his organization in relation to national farm problems.

"What Every Editor Should Know" will be presented by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cox, Altamont News; William Seil, Grayville Mercury-Independent, will conduct an open forum; and a panel on advertising will be presented by members of adult classes taught at the Cairo Evening Citizen offices and at Southern Illinois University by Don Hileman of the SIU journalism staff.

Jack Taylor, dinner speaker from the University of Missouri, will be followed by the "Blackouts," a surprise program described as "frightening" in the SIEA weekly "Newslitter." On display will be a photographic exhibit from the SIEA-SIU photo workshop held last summer at Makanda.

Prior to the opening session at noon, tours will be conducted through the Spartan Printing Company, the world's largest producer of comic books.

Hosts for the winter meeting are Howe V. Morgan and William Morgan of the Sparta News-Plaindealer.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--Riding on an eight-meet winning streak, Southern Illinois University's swimmers open their home season in a stiff test against Beloit College here at 2 p.m. Saturday (Jan. 19,)

Southern's swimmers tripped Washington University, 44-41, last Saturday (Jan. 12) in their most impressive win since swimming was started as a varsity sport here in 1955. Washington had not lost a swimming meet in more than two years.

SIU's eight-meet win string is especially impressive when considering that the Salukis won their first swimming meet in history less than a year ago. Since tasting victory, SIU has lost only one time. This season, Southern defeated Grinnell (Iowa) College and Bradley University, before beating Washington.

Beloit won easily over SIU last year, 52-32, but Southern's Coach Bill Heusner warns that this year's contest will be much closer.

Heading Beloit's team is John McKee, Aurora, a 50 and 100-yard freestyle specialist. Another top performer is the team captain, Bud Leonard, Chicago, a good distance swimmer. Other returning lettermen are Dick Hartshorne, Winnetka, a free styler, and Tom Conforti, Riverside, a top-notch swimmer in the breaststroke.

First-place winners for Southern against Washington were Robert Montgomery, Grafton, 220-yard and 440-yard freestyle; Charles Strattan, Mt. Vernon, 200-yard butterfly; Roger Counsil, Wood River, diving; and Terry Lockman, West Frankfort, 200-yard backstroke.

Other SIU probable contestants are: John Huber, Hoopeston; Bruce Coleman, West Frankfort; Joe Barry, Edwardsville; Rex Paddock, Grafton; Tom Harris and Laurence Benjamin, both of Highland Park; Al Cline, Springfield; Dave Burkstaller, Wyatt, Mo.; Wib Stoever, Chester; Robert Campbell, Kankakee; and Robert Schulhof, Chicago.

Southern meets Western Illinois there Jan. 26.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

Carbondale, Ill., Jan. -- Southern Illinois University's cage squad, the most defensive-minded team in the Interstate Conference, will pit its powers against two of the nation's leading offensive squads--Illinois Normal and Western Illinois--in road games this week end.

Illinois Normal, according to the most recent NCAA statistics, is third in the nation among small-college teams with a 90.8 points-per-game average in offensive play, while Western Illinois was ranked eleventh with an 84.7 average.

Southern, meanwhile, has averaged only 73 points per game in compiling an 8-4 record, but has limited opponents to only 67.3. In conference play, Southern has done even better, holding loop teams to a bare 60-point mark--almost a 10 points-per-game better average than the nearest rival and almost 30 points per game better than Illinois Normal's defensive mark.

SIU Coach Lynn Holder, one of the holdouts against "go-go-go" basketball, predicts that the outcome of Friday's game (Jan. 18) against Illinois Normal and Saturday's tilt (Jan. 19) at Western Illinois will be decided by defensive play.

"We always score enough points," said Holder, reflecting on the first half of the season. "We only lose when our defense collapses. Take Saturday (Jan. 12), for instance. For the first 32 minutes we played some of the greatest defensive ball in Southern's history. During that time Northern, which had scored 98 points against Eastern Illinois the night before, made only 36 points. Our offensive play was only average, but our defensive ability made a good club look bad."

Holder singled out Warren Talley, Pinckneyville, and Gordon Lambert, Marion, as exceptional standouts on defense Saturday, but stressed that it was a team victory. "I'm not worried about our offense this week," concluded Holder. "We can score against those clubs. It's our defensive play that will win or lose for us."

Southern has won five of its last six games, the only defeat in that string being a 77-72 overtime decision to nationally-regarded Miami University (Ohio). Latest SIU victories were over Northern Illinois, 61-54, Saturday (Jan. 12), and Beloit College, 69-62, last Thursday (Jan. 10).

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SIU is second in the Interstate Conference with a 2-1 mark, while Western Illinois, league winner the past two years, is leading the loop with a 4-0 slate. Tied for third are Central Michigan and Eastern Michigan, who both upset Illinois Normal in games last week end (Jan. 11-12).

Normal has always given Southern trouble, dumping the Salukis twice last season. Southern, on the other hand, is the only league team to defeat Western Illinois during the past two years. Normal is led by one of the nation's best small-college players, Fred Marberry, who is averaging over 30 points a game. Pacing Western is Chuck Behrends, who is averaging 18 points per game and is hitting 60 percent of his field goal attempts.

Probable starters for Southern this week end will be Talley (6-3) and Seymour Bryson (6-4), Quincy, at forwards; Larry Whitlock (6-5), Mt. Vernon, at center; and Lambert (6-3) and Richard Jones (5-9), Harrin, at guards.

In other league games this week end, Eastern Illinois plays at Western Illinois and Central Michigan hosts Eastern Michigan Friday (Jan. 18) night, while Eastern Illinois travels to Northern Illinois Saturday (Jan. 19).

Present Interstate Conference standings:

Team	W	L	Pts.	Opp.
Western Illinois	4	0	334	301
Southern Illinois	2	1	199	181
Central Michigan	2	2	253	279
Eastern Michigan	2	2	335	330
Eastern Illinois	1	2	246	244
Northern Illinois	1	2	226	227
Illinois Normal	0	3	237	268

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL,, Jan.--Gunning for their eighth straight dual meet victory, Southern Illinois University's wrestlers will open their 1957 home season against Eastern Illinois College here at 7:30 p.m. Saturday (Jan. 19.)

SIU won its seventh straight dual meet Saturday against Great Lakes (Jan. 12) as big Ed Hayes, Carbondale, 240-pound heavyweight, pinned his opponent, Buck Gran in 1:45 of the first round for the margin of victory. The score was tied, 14-14, before Hayes came through with his five-point win to give SIU the meet, 19-14.

It was the third straight time within a year that Hayes has meant the difference between defeat and victory over Great Lakes. Last month and last February, SIU trailed the sailors going into the final event, only to have Hayes come through with wins.

SIU trailed, 14-5, midway in Saturday's meet before Southern's final four wrestlers, John Orlando, Overland, Mo.; Bob Dunkel, St. Louis; Gary Burdick, Omaha and Hayes posted wins.

Other SIU winner was Lee Grubbs, who won by a forfeit in the 130-pound weight Grubbs, in an exhibition bout, edged Frank Freeman, 8-6.

Losing decisions for Southern were Jim Whittenberg, Carbondale; Spencer Smith Alton; Don Halbert, Granite City; and Herman Ayres, Harvey.

SIU Coach Jim Wilkinson, a former Big Ten wrestler, says he will stick with his usual starters this Saturday unless someone is beaten in intrasquad matches during the week. Wilkinson usually bases his starting lineup on winners of practice matches.

Southern, last year's champions at the Wheaton Tournament and the Interstate Conference meet, has not lost a dual meet since losing to Indiana University last February. Indiana will come to SIU the evening of Feb. 9.

There will be no admission charge for the Saturday night meet.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--Adults seeking high school diplomas may take tests of General Educational Development Feb. 1-2 at Southern Illinois University according to Dr. Jack W. Graham, testing supervisor.

To qualify for a diploma, the person to be tested must bring a letter from his school principal indicating that a diploma will be granted if he successfully completes the tests.

A day and a half of testing is required, beginning at 8 a.m. Friday, Feb. 1.

GED tests are offered without charge at Southern the first Friday and Saturday of each month.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--J. Larry Gidcumb, Southern Illinois University student from Norris City, has been selected for a $200 award from the Illinois Poultry Improvement Association, according to Charles Meier, Nashville hatcheryman, past president of the IPIA who assisted in the selection. The award is being processed through the SIU Financial Assistance Center.

Gidcumb is a junior in the SIU School of Agriculture. Selection is based on need, interest in the poultry industry and scholarship. The award is limited to juniors and seniors.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., JAN. -- Shurtleff College and the East St. Louis High School were approved as locations for Southern Illinois University residence centers by the SIU board of trustees Thursday (Jan. 17).

At the same time, the board indicated that neither site would be suitable as the permanent location of a full-fledged university such as residents of Madison and St. Clair counties have been seeking for that area.

The board agreed to accept invitations to lease both sites, however, if state appropriations for operating residence centers are approved. Terms of the Shurtleff lease have not been worked out, but the East St. Louis Board of Education has offered its present high school to SIU at $1 a year after its new high school building is completed next September.

The Shurtleff property was made available to Southern following a decision of the college board to suspend operations on June 30.

SIU officials said the campus of the denominational college has a capacity of perhaps 500 students but lacks the acreage for expansion that might be necessary for a state-supported university. The Madison-St. Clair county area will have a potential of 18,000 college students by 1970. Residents of the bi-county area have petitioned Gov. Stratton for a four-year college program, proposing that SIU establish a branch university there.

The SIU board was informed that the East St. Louis High School, which has enrolled as many as 2000 high school students, is not big enough for an adequate schedule of college level offerings. On the other hand, University officials consider the building too large to heat and maintain as a residence center operation. They are awaiting action on their request to lease only the newer portion of the high school, taking an option on the rest for possible future use.

"Our investigation of these two sites clearly shows that neither would be suitable as the permanent site for a full-fledged university operation," SIU officials told the trustees. "As interim residence centers, however, both are excellent, and the State of Illinois could meet the problem of educating fairly large number of additional college students at very little expense in these temporary locations."

At residence centers, a limited number of University courses are offered, carrying the same credit as if students were in residence on the main campus.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--Audrey Paul, young Chicago contralto, will be the guest attraction when the Southern Illinois Symphony Orchestra presents its second concert of the season here Feb. 26. Sponsored by the Carbondale Business and Professional Women's Club, the concert will begin at 8:15 p.m. in Shryock Auditorium.

Miss Paul, one of Chicago's leading concert, opera and oratorio soloists, will sing the aria, "O mio Fernando," from the Donizetti opera, "La Favorita," and "Sesquedilla," from Bizet's "Carmen."

The orchestra, under the baton of veteran conductor Maurits Kesnar, will present a varied program highlighted by Edvard Braein's "Concert Overture, Op. 2." Performance of the work by Braein, a Norwegian composer, was requested by the U. S. State Department.

Other program selections include the overture to "Semiramide," by Rossini; Iwanow Ippolitow's "Caucasian Sketches;" the "Hungarian March" from "The Damnation of Faust," by Berlioz; "Hymn and Fuguing Tune," by Henry Cowell, and Strauss's "Emperor Waltz."

Acclaimed the best woman singer at the 1947 Chicagoland Music Festival, Miss Paul has scored in leading roles with the Chicago Opera Company, the Grant Park Symphony, and at the Mesker Park Summer Concerts in Evansville, Ind. She has performed with leading choral societies throughout the midwest and has toured for the Civic Music Associations and Community Concert Association.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--Audrey Paul, young Chicago contralto, will be the guest attraction when the Southern Illinois Symphony Orchestra presents its second concert of the season here Feb. 26. Sponsored by the Carbondale Business and Professional Women's Club, the concert will begin at 8:15 p.m. in Shryock Auditorium.

Miss Paul, one of Chicago's leading concert, opera and oratorio soloists, will sing the aria, "O mio Fernando," from the Donizetti opera, "La Favorita," and "Sesquedilla," from Bizet's "Carmen."

The orchestra, under the baton of veteran conductor Maurits Kesnar, will present a varied program highlighted by Edvard Braein's "Concert Overture, Op. 2." Performance of the work by Braein, a Norwegian composer, was requested by the U. S. State Department.

Other program selections include the overture to "Semiramide," by Rossini; Iwanow Ippolitow's "Caucasian Sketches;" the "Hungarian March" from "The Damnation of Faust," by Berlioz; "Hymn and Fuguing Tune," by Henry Cowell, and Strauss's "Emperor Waltz."

Acclaimed the best woman singer at the 1947 Chicagoland Music Festival, Miss Paul has scored in leading roles with the Chicago Opera Company, the Grant Park Symphony, and at the Mesker Park Summer Concerts in Evansville, Ind. She has performed with leading choral societies throughout the midwest and has toured for the Civic Music Associations and Community Concert Association.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--The football rules committee of the National Federation of High School Athletic Associations and the Junior College Athletic Associations have approved an Interstate Conference ruling which permits a player to confer with the coach during timeouts in football games.

Pushed by SIU Coach Al Kawal, the IIAC used this rule last year with favorable results. The rule has been used in professional football for some time, but the IIAC is believed to be the only college conference to employ the regulation.

The new change will affect 10,000 high schools and junior colleges.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--A communion chalice and paten designed by Southern Illinois University silversmith Frederick Lauritzen for St. Andrews Episcopal Church in Carbondale will be on exhibit at Ohio State University's annual Festival of Religious Arts from Jan. 20 to Feb. 9.

The exhibition features religious objects gathered by invitation from artists, galleries and churches throughout the United States.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., JAN. -- The Southern Illinois University board of trustees voted Thursday (Jan. 17) to seek up to $2,000,000 in loans from the Housing and Home Finance Agency to build as many as 200 family housing units.

The proposed construction, including 50 one bedroom and 140 two bedroom apartments, representing the first stage of a plan to erect 470 family housing units east of the present campus for faculty and for the growing number of married couples among the student body.

In other action, the board of trustees increased from 200 to 300 the number of tuition-free scholarships offered by the University, and divided the Department of Sociology and Anthropology into two separate departments in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

The board also appointed four full-time lecturers and 18 part-time teachers and graduate assistants. The full-time faculty additions and the departments to which they were assigned are as follows:

William Arhtur Joy, now teaching at the University of Kansas City Dental College, to the Division of Technical and Adult Education.

Myroslav Melnyk, who holds a doctor's degree from the University of Louvain, Belgium, and is now employed by the Allis-Chalmers Co., economics.

Robert H. Mohlenbrock, an SIU alumnus from Murphysboro who has been employed as a research chemist for the Presstite Engineering Co., St. Louis, botany. He recently completed requirements for a doctor's degree at Washington University.

Carl L. Swisher, another SIU graduate, geography. He received a master's degree from Northwestern and has served as a consultant to the Department of Agriculture of Puerto Rico. Swisher, who formerly lived at Mulkeytown and is now on the staff of Ball State Teachers College, will succeed Dr. Oliver Beimfohr who died last fall.

Paul M. Hoffman of the SIU School of Business was promoted by the board from assistant professor to associate professor and five instructors were named assistant professors. They are: Gordon K. Butts of the Audio-Visual Service; Dan Cox, teacher training; Donald R. Grubb, journalism; Milton F. Sullivan, University School, and Harvey S. Woods, School of Agriculture.

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THE OLD COLLEGE AT CREAL SPRINGS

by John W. Allen
Southern Illinois University

Shurtleff College, known as the oldest institution of learning in the state above the level of the grade school, will close its doors at the end of the current school year, according to a recent announcement. Thus it will join a host of other academies and colleges that have passed on in Southern Illinois.

In their day these schools attracted numerous students, exerted much influence over the region about them and left a great body of tradition.

One such school that came, flourished for a time and then vanished, was at Creal Springs, south and east of Marion in Williamson county. This village had already become widely known as a health resort, a place where many came to drink the waters of the numerous mineral springs found there or to take mineral water baths. Creal Springs also was widely known as a place where church gatherings and G.A.R. reunions were held.

It was to this town that Henry Clay Murrah and his wife Grace Brown Murrah moved shortly after their marriage in 1880. Both had received college training and had been teachers. It was not unnatural, therefore, that they should become much interested in education, so much so that they decided to establish a girls' school under the direction of Mrs. Murrah.

Grace Brown was born near the village of Bainbridge, once the county seat of Williamson county, about four miles west of Marion. She attended the Brownsville country school, later going to Southern Illinois College at Carbondale, to the State Institute at Flora, and to Ewing College. She also attended the collegiate department of Mount Carrol Seminary at Mt. Carroll, Illinois, from which she was graduated in 1875. After attending these schools, she taught in country schools, in the high school at Frankfort, and in Ewing College before beginning her 32 years of service at the school she was so instrumental in establishing at Creal Springs.

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The story of this college and of Mrs. Murrah's part in it is well outlined in "Horse and Buggy Days", a booklet published by her son, Charles M. Murrah, in 1937. From it we learn that in March 1884 they acquired title to a five acre tract of land in the village "to be used for school purposes." The construction of the main building--a basement and three stories plus attic structure--was begun immediately. It was completed and ready for use on September 22, 1884, when the first term began.

The school had been planned as one for girls. On the first morning, however, as many boys as girls appeared, three of each. It was therefore decided to make it coeducational. Students continued to arrive throughout the term, and before the end of the first twelve weeks 59 students had been enrolled. Twelve of these were on the collegiate level, whatever that may have meant. Thirty-one were in the preparatory department, seven in the primary, and nine were special students of music.

The first faculty of the Creal Springs Academy consisted of six members. H.C. Murrah, who also did some teaching, was listed as proprietor and Grace B. Murrah as principal, which office she continued to occupy until the school closed in 1916. The name of Creal Springs Academy was continued until 1894, when it was changed to Creal Springs College and Conservatory of Music. By this time the number on the faculty had grown to 15 and the student enrollment to almost 100. Baccalaureate degrees were granted in the "classical", "Latin-Scientific" and "Philosophical" fields. An additional year could provide a master's degree. It had grown into a respected school.

The curriculum offered was varied. It was boasted that the college offered one of the most thorough courses in history, three years of general history preceded by one year of American history. T.O. Hawkins taught "muscular penmanship" that would eliminate the "cramped and tiresome finger movements." In addition to the common branches of learning, the school offered Latin, Greek, German, French, analytical geometry, calculus, typewriting, elocution, shorthand, physical culture, pedagogical studies, music, and art.

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The beauty of the region as one in which an artist might well work was emphasized and it was said, "Any girl can, by putting in her spare moments, decorate the walls of her home with paintings made by her own brush".

Music courses "followed the methods of the Conservatory of Music in Brussels, Belgium."

A department of theology was maintained. In order to be admitted an applicant was required to furnish a "certificate to this character" from the church where he held membership. He must also have received a "call to gospel ministry" and must demonstrate "intellectual fitness". This course extended over three years during which the student might pastor churches if it did not interfere with his studies.

There were literary societies, school papers, varied social activities and above all the annual commencement and reunion. Programs of an annual commencement and of the "Erica" society list a wide range of offerings. Among them are declamations, orations, original poems, vocal solos, duos, trios, and quartettes, piano solos and duets, recitations, and a harp duet. Commencement week was a truly great one.

With passing years financial problems came to beset the school. These reached such proportions that the institution was forced to close. The last students departed on Christmas Eve, 1916, and the doors of the strange appearing three story frame building were locked, not to open again for school use. Mr. and Mrs. Murrah went to live in a nearby cottage. Mrs. Murrah lived on until 1929, never ceasing her effort to reopen the school to which she had given so many years of unselfish service. The building stood until 1943, when it was dismantled. No memorial remains to mark the site of the Creal Springs College and Conservatory of Music.

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SIU COUNTRY COLUMN
by Albert Meyer

Poultry manure is a highly regarded organic fertilizer, a valuable by-product of the poultry producing industry.

When dust dry, a ton of poultry droppings contains about 1700 pounds of solids and 300 pounds of moisture. Included are about 100 pounds of nitrogen, 67 pounds of phosphoric acid, and 45 pounds of potash. The commercial cost of these minerals would total approximately $10.00 as inorganic fertilizer. A flock of 500 hens produces nearly a ton of manure per month.

The livestock specialists report that it is the season for cattle grubs to begin appearing in the skin along the backs of cattle. Another name for them is ox warbles. They result from the larvae of the common heel fly that bothers cattle for a short time during the summer when laying eggs on the hair of the cow's heels and rear legs.

Farmers may notice the animals running rather wildly for a few days in the summer. This activity results when the cattle are frightened by the flies. The adult fly is not easily controlled or repelled, so the best way to handle the situation is to kill the grubs while they still are in the backs of the animals.

As the heel fly eggs hatch, the young larvae burrow through the skin and live in the animal's body, gradually working their way to the back where they develop into the common warbles noticeable at this winter season. They may cause some reduction in milk production among dairy cattle but are more damaging to beef cattle hides. The hide quality and its sale value is reduced by the holes that the grubs make in coming out along the back. Hence, it is desirable to kill the grubs before they penetrate the skin.

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Considered one of the best killing agents for the grubs is derris powder containing rotenone. It may be brushed into the skin along the back of the animal when the first grubs have cut a hole in the skin prior to emerging. Equal parts of derris and sulphur may be used similarly.

A spray mixture of rotenone, wettable sulphur and water, combined at the rate of five pounds of rotenone and 10 pounds of sulpher per 100 gallons of water, is effective when applied at a pressure of 250 pounds. Spraying is more efficient if a large number of animals are to be treated because it is a faster method than brushing powder on the backs of the animals.

Two or three treatments at 30-day intervals may be needed to kill all the grubs in the animals. Community-wide efforts to eliminate the warbles are desirable. If farmers will carry on a concerted control program, the grub may be practically eliminated in a few years.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., JAN. -- Announcement was made here today of a $118,000 grant to Southern Illinois University, where psychologists and speech and hearing clinicians have begun the first phase of a long-term research study on development of educational training methods for mentally retarded children.

Dr. I. P. Brackett, director of the SIU Speech and Hearing Clinic, and Dr. Noble Kelley, chairman of the psychology department, said that the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare has awarded the department a $113,000 grant to finance the first two years of the project. Under terms of the joint grant, the University has also agreed to support the research with staff personnal and equipment.

Brackett said the grant, which the two departments have been seeking for over a year, was awarded under Public Law 531. The first work, already underway, involves combing the files of school, area and state agencies for children to use as subjects for the study.

Formally established to explore "Perceptual and Response Abilities of Mentally Retarded Children," the project will be carried out in a new visual and auditory perception laboratory on the SIU campus. The laboratory has been partially equipped with funds previously awarded for psychology research.

Brackett said that although the initial phase of the study will deal with testing and classification, it has ultimate implications into the development of a standardized test and educational training system for all mentally retarded children. "Further government support will hinge on the results within the next two years," he said.

Dr. John Anderson, assistant professor of speech and a Clinic staff member, has been appointed project coordinator. Dr. Chester Atkinson of the Clinic, and Dr. Israel Goldiamond and Dr. Leslie Malpass, psychologists, will be principal investigators.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--Citizens of the Mt. Carmel area have offered to construct a $150,000 building if Southern Illinois University will accept it for use as an off-campus educational center in southeastern Illinois.

A nine-member delegation told the SIU board of trustees Thursday (Jan. 17) the building would be given to the University or leased at $1 a year. The SIU board took the proposal under consideration.

The delegation pointed out that Mt. Carmel is remote from existing colleges and there is a large potential college enrollment in the area. Some 2000 students will be graduating from high schools within a 40-mile radius this spring.

The delegations suggested that Southern start off with a teaching program geared to accommodate about 200 students.

SIU officials and trustees told the group they could make no commitments until there is clarification of the attitude of the state legislature toward appropriations for off-campus centers. They also said a report expected soon from the Governor's Commission on Higher Education should give a clearer picture of educational facilities needed to provide for rapidly increasing enrollments.

The delegation, headed by Mt. Carmel geologist William E. Brubeck, said Wabash County residents were prepared to contract for a building estimated to cost between $150,000 and $200,000. It would be built on a site of 20 to 40 acres.

Brubeck noted several advantages to the University in establishing a teaching program in the Mt. Carmel area, including an opportunity for field studies with oil exploration firms and on farms which differ materially from those located nearer the University campus.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--
Prof. George B. Cressey, distinguished Syracuse University geographer, will speak about the Middle East at a public meeting in Southern Illinois University's Shyrock Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday (Jan. 23).

Cressey recently returned from Baghdad, Iraq., where he was a Fulbright scholar, travelling 25,000 miles in the Middle East and other parts of Asia. He will be on the SIU campus Wednesday and Thursday (Jan. 23 -24) to evaluate the facilities, curricula and staff of Southern's geography department for the SIU College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

The widely-known geographer has spoken on international subjects before many university and foreign policy groups in America. His books on the geography of Asia have appeared in six languages. He served as president of the International Geographical Union from 1949 to 1952.

Cressey has been at Syracuse University, New York, since 1931, serving for 20 years as chairman of the geography department. In 1951 he was promoted to Maxwell Professor of Geography in recognition of his "unusual career of distinction and devotion." He is a member of and has been honored by many geographical organizations in the United States and other nations.

China and the Soviet Union have been Cressey's chief areas of interest. The New York times has written: "No other living geographer has seen so much of the great continent of Asia as Dr. Cressey."

There will be no admission charge for his lecture.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan. -- A student from Jordan has sparked a financial campaign to sponsor a Hungarian refugee student at Southern Illinois University.

Fahmi Dahdah, 29-year-old graduate student at Southern, launched the drive after receiving a $200 start from the SIU Student Council. Under his plan, the student selected will arrive in March to enroll for the spring quarter.

Dahdah heads the University's International Relations Club, which has sent nearly 1,000 letters appealing for donations to the newly-created Student Refugee Fund.

"This is not just a campus project," Dahdah emphasized. "We are asking individuals and organizations throughout Southern Illinois to respond."

At Southern, Alpha Psi and Sagawah were the first organized houses to contribute to the fund. Carbondale's Rotary Club has added $50.

Although the goal is $1,000, Dahdah said when half that amount has been raised applications will be requested from the World University Service, which coordinates the refugee student program. Many Hungarian students who fled their country during the bloody anti-Communist uprisings last fall are awaiting admittance to American colleges and universities, Dahdah explained.

A male student willing to work his way through college will be selected, according to Dahdah. All his expenses will be paid during his first quarter at SIU, but he would be expected to work full time in the summer to earn money for next year's schooling. Dahdah hopes the student would be provided with a rent-free room during his stay.

The fund will be replenished each year in order to bring other refugee students to Southern, he added.

"Working my way through college in this country has been a wonderful experience for me," the Jordanian said. "I feel that foreign refugee students should be given the same opportunity, but they need some financial assistance to get started."

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Contributions may be directed to: Dr. Erwin D. Stasek, Financial Assistance Center, Office of Student Affairs, Southern Illinois University. Checks should be made out to "SIU Student Refugee Fund", Dahdah said.

Members of a special Student Council-International Relations Club committee conducting the Student Refugee Fund campaign besides Dahdah are: Sandra Unger, Hoopeston (Rt. 1), Council president; Jerry Feezel, Wood River (707 E. Ferguson); Max Malone, Melrose Park (1408 N. 20th); Ellsworth George, White Hall; and Eleni Kotisa, Greece. Also assisting are Jan Marie Fegley, Battle Creek, Mich. (160 Adams Rd.), and Georg Hopfer, Germany.

Faculty members who will help select the student are Dr. Frank L. Klingberg, professor of government, and Dr. Willis G. Swartz, dean of the Graduate School.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan. -- The Chicago office of J. Walter Thompson advertising agency, one of the largest in the nation, will cooperate with Southern Illinois University's Department of Journalism in staging a Second Annual Advertising Workshop Feb. 15 on the SIU campus.

Workshop Director Donald C. Hileman expects more than 75 newspaper and radio advertising representatives and retailers from Illinois, Missouri and Kentucky to attend the meeting, including members of the Illmoky Advertising Club, the co-sponsoring agency. About 60 persons attended last year.

Registration from 9 to 10 a.m. in the Library Auditorium will precede four 90-minute sessions, interspersed with a luncheon, a coffee break, and a dinner. Meals will be served at the University Cafeteria.

Julian C. Winthrop, who heads the promotion and trade department of J. J. Walter Thompson's Chicago office, and two other representatives of that firm will lead workshop sessions. A former resident of Du Quoin, Winthrop for many years was associated with the National Tea Company. The Kraft Foods Company office in Chicago also will be represented, Hileman said.

Workshop registration fee, which includes both meals, is $5. Reservations are due no later than Feb. 11.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., JAN. -- Granite City Community High School students picked up six "superiors" and 13 "excellent" ratings to lead entries from 10 schools in the Ninth Annual High School Speech Festival at Southern Illinois University Saturday (Jan. 19).

Closely following Granite City in the ranks of top speakers were DuQuoin students, with three superior and 15 excellent ratings, and Benton speechmakers, who posted three superior performances. No awards were given in the radio speaking division, where all entries disqualified themselves by exceeding time limits.

Judy Macy, a Mattoon High School entry, came through with the day's top performance, a perfect score of 30 in the serious play reading division. Don Friedman, DuQuoin, and Bill Stoll, Granite City, were judged tops in the after-dinner speaking division and were chosen to present their speeches at the Festival luncheon.

Dorothy Beck, SIU graduate student in speech from Winchester, was in charge of the event. Dr. Paul Hunsinger, associate professor of speech, directed a clinic in oral interpretation following the Festival. Awards were presented by C. Horton Talley, dean of the School of Communications.

ASSUMPTION--Excellent ratings: Charles Orr, Mike Mongon (comedy play reading).

CARBONDALE (University School)--Superior ratings: Kent Brandon (extemporaneous speaking); Excellent ratings: Bruce Bruinsma (after-dinner speaking); Wanda Sill, Linda Crawford, Susan Garbutt (extemporaneous verse); Dick Randle (extemporaneous speaking).

BENTON-- Superior ratings: Judy Carroll, Phyllis Thomann (monologue); Keith Sanders (original oratory). Excellent ratings: Jake Seymour (after-dinner speaking); Phyllis Thomann (extemporaneous verse); Gailverne Kopp (extemporaneous speaking); Gay Meadows, Paul Lipscomb (serious play reading).

DUQUOIN-- Superior ratings: Don Friedman (after-dinner speaking); Lois Teabeau (extemporaneous verse); Ron Farmer (comedy play reading). Excellent ratings: Brenda Norris, Dora Morris (extemporaneous verse); Pat Peters, Sandy Griffin, Jean Jenkins, Bonnie Whipkey (comedy play reading); Pat McSherry, Gary Williams, Pat Harrison (extemporaneous speaking); Katy Tryban, Francis Mercer, Areu Cross, Sally Newman (serious play reading); Barbara O'Rourk (monologue); Margaret Foehrer (oratory). (more)

GRANITE CITY: Superior ratings: Ernest Gonzales (comedy play reading); Sandra Lierman, June Kirk, Carol Conner, Linda Van Leer (serious play reading); Marie Mitchell (monologue). Excellent ratings: Bill Stoll (after-dinner speaking); Barbara Marshmann, Karen Biekel, David Moser (extemporaneous verse); Linda Brookman, Carol Oonk (comdey play reading); Gary Eberhardt, Lucian Dressel, Bill Schrieber (extemporaneous speaking); Marilyn Lombardi, Sharon Aubrey, Judy Prewett, Nancy Townsend (monologue).

MATTOON-- Superior ratings: Carol Gibson (extemporaneous speaking); Judy Macy (serious play reading, perfect score). Excellent ratings: Sandra Miller (extemporaneous verse); Robert Hardwick (comedy play reading); Lois Shields (extemporaneous speaking); Donna Wallace (monologue); Judy Williams (oratory).

METROPOLIS-- Superior ratings: Susan Easterday (monologue). Excellent ratings: Bonnie Barnett (after-dinner speaking); Susan Easterday (comedy play reading); David Miller (extemporaneous speaking); Paul Adkins (monologue); Bonnie Barnett, Jack Wemhoener (original oratory).

O'FALLON-- Excellent ratings--John Costello (extemporaneous verse); Curtis Beedle (extemporaneous speaking).

SPARTA-- Excellent ratings: Alberta Hopke (extemporaneous verse); Judy Murphy (comedy play reading); Peggy DeRousse, Rochelle Gerlach (serious play reading); Alan Nitzche (oratory).

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--Earl M. Hughes, prominent Woodstock, Ill., farmer and past executive vice president of the U.S. Commodity Credit Corporation, will be the speaker for the annual Agriculture Club banquet meeting at Southern Illinois University January 31.

Hughes operates a large farm near Woodstock, producing hybrid seed corn and certified seed grains as well as engaging in beef cattle feeding and milk production for the Chicago market.

In order to devote full time to farming he recently resigned as executive vice president of the Commodity Credit Corporation, a multi-billion dollar federal agency which administers the farm price support operations of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He was appointed an administrator of the Commodity Stabilization Service of the Department in January, 1955. He also has long been active in farm organization work. He is a former director of the Illinois Agricultural Association and is trustee of the Farm Foundation, a national agricultural research organization.

A graduate of the University of Illinois College of Agriculture in 1929, Hughes specialized in marketing and farm management in obtaining his doctorate at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., in 1938. He served the next four years as an agricultural economist with the Illinois Cooperative Extension Service. He recently was elected a trustee of the University of Illinois.

The Agriculture Club dinner, highlight of the club's winter term activities, will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the University Cafeteria. Hughes' address, open to interested persons, will be at 8 p.m. in the cafeteria. Young area farmers completing the SIU Winter Short in Agriculture will be awarded certificates at the meeting.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--Southern Illinois University's swimming team will seek its tenth straight win in a meet at Western Illinois Saturday (Jan. 26) afternoon.

Victim number nine on SIU's win skein was Beloit College, 57-28 loser to Southern here last Saturday (Jan. 19.) Last year Beloit defeated SIU, 52-32.

Setting new records for Southern Saturday were Robert Montgomery, Grafton, who swam the 220-yard free style in 2:28.6; Lawrence Benjamin, freshman from Highland Park, who swam the 200-yard butterfly in 2:43.6; and the 400-yard medley relay team, which was clocked in 4:32.8.

Southern will be a heavy favorite over Western Illinois. A year ago this week SIU won its first varsity swimming meet by downing Western 53-31. SIU lost the following week and then closed the season with five straight wins, which are part of the current nine-meet win record.

Western, 44-41 winner over Normal last week, has reliable performers in such persons as Dick Wells, Manito, in the sprints; Perry Standard, Macomb, in the backstroke; Joe Rusk, Argo, in the breaststroke, and Tom Vincek, North Tonawanda, N.Y., in the free style.

SIU's probable entries include Montgomery,double-winner against Beloit last week; Benjamin; Terry Lockman, West Frankfort, 200-yard backstroke winner against Beloit; John Huber, Hoopeston, 200-yard breaststroke specialist; and Roger Counsil, Wood River, and Bruce Coleman, West Frankfort, SIU's diving standouts.

Others are Captain Joe Barry, Edwardsville; Rex Paddock, Grafton; Tom Harris, Highland Park; Charles Strattan, Mt. Vernon; Bob Schulhof, Chicago; Bill Rusch, Jerseyville; Robert Campbell, Kankakee; Wib Stoever, and Vaughn Hathaway, Chester; Dave Burkstaller, Wyatt, Mo.; and Larry Havens, Carbondale.

Southern's next home meet will be against St. Louis University the afternoon of Feb. 2.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--Dr. Duke McCall, president of Southern Baptist Seminary at Louisville, Ky., will speak Thursday (Jan. 31) at a Religion in Life Week Convocation at Southern Illinois University.

The 10 a.m. assembly in Shryock Auditorium will be a high point in annual Religion in Life Week activities at Southern. Dr. McCall also will speak at a 6 p.m. faculty banquet Wednesday at the University Cafeteria and at a 7:30 p.m. rally Thursday at the Baptist Foundation on the campus.

Religion in Life Week will begin Sunday (Jan. 27) with student programs at the Student Christian Foundation, Canterbury House (Episcopal,) and Carbondale churches. Bill Swing, field representative for the United Student Fellowship, will speak at a 7 p.m. banquet at the Student Christian Foundation. A graduate of Catawba College, Salisbury, N.C., he is visiting colleges throughout the nation during the 1956-57 school year.

University faculty members will be guest speakers at student organized houses on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights. At 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Theodore Metzner, member of the Christian Science Committee on Publication for Kentucky, will speak at a Christian Science organization meeting at the Library Lounge. A similar meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at University School Studio Theater, followed by a movie, "The Earth Shall Be Filled."

A Canterbury Club Corporate Communion is scheduled for 7 a.m. Wednesday at St. Andrew's Church, and a prayer service at 7:30 a.m. at the Wesley Foundation. The Newman Club (Catholic) will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall of St. Francis Xavier Chruch. A 9 p.m. worship service is planned at the Student Christian Foundation.

On Thursday, the Wesley Foundation will have a 7:45 p.m. communion service. Mass to which students are especially invited will be conducted at 7 a.m. each day at St. Francis Xavier Chruch. The Baptist Foundation will conduct noonday chapel service at 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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CAIRO, ILL., Jan.--The Skyway Luggage Company, second largest luggage manufacturer in the nation, plans to establish a branch plant at Cairo to serve its midwestern and southern markets.

President Henry L. Kotkins said the Seattle, Wash., firm may be employing "several hundred" persons at Cairo within the next few years.

The announcement was made through Southern Illinois University's department of community development. The University agency attracted Skyway's interest to Cairo last November.

Kotkins said Skyway has closed warehouses in Kansas City and Atlanta in view of the Cairo move. The company has leased a 40,000 square foot brick building here temporarily to store merchandise and to manufacture business cases until a permanent building is completed.

Men's and women's luggage and a new line of moulded plastic cases will also be made here.

According to present plans, the city of Cairo will build a 36,000 square foot building which Skyway will take over on a lease-purchase arrangement. Kotkins said he hopes to construct additional buildings over a period of years until the company occupies a substantial portion of an eight acre site now owned by the city.

Skyway Luggage is advertised in leading national magazines and was featured in a seven page spread last month in Seventeen Magazine.

The company has warehouses in Ridgefield, N.J.; Los Angeles, and Joliet, Ill., and factories in England and Canada. Cairo will have the firm's only U.S. factory outside of the Seattle plant which employs about 500. Kotkins said local workers would be hired and trained in small groups of 10 to 20 persons over a period of several years until there are "several hundred" production employes.

The firm became interested in Cairo through a contact with Robert S. Henderson, industrial consultant of Southern Illinois University's department of community development. The department, headed by Richard W. Poston, has been cooperating with Cairo on a long-range community improvement campaign for the past four months.

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Poston said his department would continue to work closely with Skyway personnel and the city of Cairo in planning the proposed building and providing professional and technical assistance from the University campus.

Mayor Paul Schuh Baur said funds to construct a modern factory for Skyway would come out of anticipation warrants levied against the city's general fund, and the company would buy the building. Baur said the cost of building the plant to Skyway's specifications had not been determined, but cooperation promised by labor unions, builders and suppliers should enable the city to put up the factory for much less than normal cost.

The mayor has appointed an industrial commission to work on the Skyway project and to deal with other industries which may become interested in Cairo.

Negotiations for the Skyway move have been in progress for three months. Delegations representing Cairo and the SIU community development department made two trips to Seattle, and Kotkins spent several days in Cairo on two occasions. Skyway took over space in the city warehouse and began storing merchandise from its Kansas City and Atlanta warehouses Jan. 1. Machinery and stock were being moved into the former Weber Dry Goods Co. Building on Commercial St. this week where operations will be centered temporarily.

Kotkins said the Cairo plant will enable the company to make faster delivery on orders from customers in midwestern, southern and southwestern states. It will also mean considerable savings in freight rates for products formerly shipped from Seattle,

Don Smyth of the Seattle office will head up the manufacture of business cases, and Doctor (Cq) Crouse will supervise company operations here.

First official word of the new plant location was given to Cairo citizens attending a town meeting on community development endeavors. The development program is seen as a three-year effort aimed at improving economic and social conditions in this historic Ohio River community.

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CHAMPAIGN, ILL., Jan.--The nation's number one gymnastic team--the University of Illinois--will be host to Southern Illinois University in a dual meet here Saturday (Jan. 26) afternoon.

National Collegiate Athletic Association champions last year and favored to repeat this year, the Illini squad represents one of America's greatest collection of college gymnasts.

Illinois won its opening three meets, including the strong Midwest Open tournament in Chicago. Dual meet victims were Western Illinois and Ohio State.

SIU, which reinstated gymnastics only last year after a lapse dating back to World War II, has an inexperienced squad. In its only meet this season, Southern dropped a 58-18 decision to Michigan State.

Illinois' coach Charles Pond is very optimistic about his team, saying, "The ten men who will make up our team all are capable of scoring in the national collegiate meet. We have outstanding specialists who will give support to the all-around men."

Key man on the team is Don Tonry, Big Ten and NCAA all-around champion from Brooklyn, N.Y. Tonry recently won the all-around honors at the Midwest Open.

Another top performer for Illinois is Frank Hailand, Chicago, a tumbling expert who was on the 1956 U.S. Olympic team.

Other returning lettermen include John Davis, Chicago; Mike Karon, Bloomington; and Michael Walters, Winnetka.

SIU Coach William Meade, head gymnastic coach at the University of North Carolina last season, said that his team is continuing to improve, but is a couple of years away from being a formidable squad.

Three important members, Gary Danner, Carmi; Jim Gregg, Benton; and Bill Ballester Kankakee, have been added this month and should develop into top performers. Danner's speciality is tumbling, free exercise, and parallel bars, while Gregg and Ballester are trampolinists.

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Southern recently lost two lettermen, Fred Rauback, West Frankfort, and Carl Eisfelder, Pinckneyville, via the grade route. Another big loss was co-captain Phil Smith, Chester, a parallel bars performer, who is sidelined by a broken wrist.

SIU's first home meet will be against Western Illinois Feb. 1.

Probable SIU contestants for Saturday's meet against Illinois: Free Exercise--Kelly Smith, Cisne; Danner, captain Jerry Oettle, Hardin. High Bar--Jerry Cuendet, Kirkwood, Mo.; Oettle; and Julius Johnson, St. Louis.

Trampoline--Gregg; Bill Ballester, Kankakee; Roger Counsil, Wood River. Parallel Bars--Gene Salmon, Grayville; Danner; Johnson. Side Horse--Johnson; Smith; Salmon. Tumbling--Counsil; Danner; and Bob Hauser, Cottage Hills.

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NEWS from Bill Lyons
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
Carbondale, Ill. -- Phone 1020 Release: IMMEDIATE

Carbondale, Ill., Jan. -- Milton Shute, instructor in farm structures in the Southern Illinois University School of Agriculture, will conduct a series of six weekly evening meetings on farm buildings and other farm structures for the farmers in the Christopher area, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Monday (Feb. 4) in the Christopher high school. Leavell Swink of the high school is in charge of local arrangements.

Cooperating in making the meetings available without tuition fee are the Christopher high school vocational agriculture department, the SIU School of Agriculture, and the SIU Division of Technical and Adult Education.

Shute is a native of Wollaston, Mass. Before coming to the SIU faculty in June, 1955, he was a construction engineer and surveyor for a year after being on the University of Georgia (Athens) staff as an assistant agricultural engineer.

He received a Bachelor of Science degree in agricultural engineering at the University of Georgia in 1951, operating a small truck farm while going to school. The next year he received his master's degree at Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. During World War II he served three and one-half years in the Army Transportation Corps.

In addition to teaching at SIU, Shute will do research in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service on farm uses for local hardwood timber.

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NEWS from Bill Lyons
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CARBONDALE Ill., January: From seven Southern Illinois high schools 26 teams will try to outtalk each other for trophy awards in the Second Annual Southern Illinois High School Debate Tournament here Saturday (Jan. 26).

Sponsored by the Southern Illinois University speech department, the day-long event will be held at University School. Trophies will be awarded to the championship teams on both the affirmative and negative side of the debate question involving farm price supports. "Superior" and "excellent" certificates will also be awarded top individual debaters.

Teams have entered from Roodhouse, DuQuoin, Assumption, Benton, Granite City, Alton and University High School of Carbondale. Each team will debate four rounds, and will be judged by SIU speech department faculty members.

Dr. C. Horton Talley, dean of the SIU School of Communications, will present awards following the tourney.

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NEWS from Bill Lyons
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1/24/57

Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--Southern Illinois University's cagers will try to make it two in a row over rival Millikin University here Monday (Jan. 28) night.

Long one of Southern's toughest foes Millikin in recent years usually has emerged the victor in the close contests, but SIU reversed the trend at Flora last month by stopping Millikin, 90-85. Millikin lost only one other game (to Wheaton College) in its first 13 contests this season.

Coach Lynn Holder, whose squad holds a 9-6 mark for the year, hopes to duplicate last month's victory. In that contest both teams hit nearly 50 per cent of their field goal attempts.

Southern tripped Illinois Wesleyan, 72-69, Wednesday (Jan. 23) to gain revenge for a 71-70 loss at the hands of Wesleyan last season.

SIU's probable starters Monday will be captain Gordon Lambert (6-3), Marion, and Richard (Itchy) Jones (5-9,) Herrin, at guards; Larry Whitlock (6-5,) Mt. Vernc center; and Seymour Bryson (6-4,) Quincy, and Warren Talley (6-3,) Pinckneyville, at forwards.

Millikin will counter with Terry Smith (6-4,) Ottawa, and Harmon Mitchell (6-2,) Rockford, at forwards; Roger Lotchin (6-5,) Shelbyville, center; and Don Petty (5-10,) Pana, and Mickey Sprinkle (5-11,) formerly of Centralia and now from Decatur.

Millikin outrebounded Southern, 45-40, in the earlier contest and hopes to maintain its mastery of the boards in Monday's tilt.

Both hold victories over their two mutual opponents: Beloit College and Illinois Wesleyan. Beloit dropped a 69-62 decision to SIU, while Millikin drubbed Beloit, 84-71. Beloit has lost only one other game. Millikin beat Illinois Wesleyan, 86-71 compared to Southern's three-point, 72-69, win over the Titans.

On Thursday night (Jan. 31), Millikin entertains Lewis College at Decatur, while SIU travels to Indiana State at Terre Haute.

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Number 187 in a weekly series--"It Happened in Southern Illinois"--a series consisting of regional folklore and historical accounts suitable for feature, column or editorial use.

OLD SHAWNEETOWN HAS ITS STORY

John W. Allen
Southern Illinois University

Old Shawneetown in Gallatin county and the city of Washington began in somewhat the same manner. Each was laid out by government engineers and each was never a part of the public domain opened for settlement. It is said that they are the only two towns in the United States enjoying these singular distinctions.

Since their establishment, however, their courses have diverged. Washington has become one of the world's most significant cities. On the other hand, Shawneetown has passed from a busy river port, trading center and one-time area metropolis to a quaint old town beside the roadway. Though much of the town has vanished, its story remains an interesting one.

A few months ago Illinois Highway 13 was extended to connect with the Ohio River bridge at the downstream side of the village, thus by-passing the old town. Hence it is no longer necessary to pass through it to cross the river. Those visiting there now do so from choice.

Steeped as it is in history, legend and tradition, the crumbling remains of this early metropolis of Southern Illinois still attracts many visitors who come to view its remaining historic buildings and sites and to hear its stories.

The new bridge and the resulting diversion of cross-river traffic has added to the detachment of the place. This increased detachment, in turn, makes it easier for the visitor to let his imagination wander backward.

The most casual visitor, knowing little or none of the town's history, soon comes to feel something of its spell. The quaint and often impressive old buildings, their apparent age, the gaps along the street where remains of old foundations or piles of rubble show that other structures once stood, and the generally unhurried air of those one sees moving about all combine to impress the outsider who goes to Shawneetown.

Though many of its historic landmarks are long vanished, enough remain to suggest interesting stories.

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The most impressive of these is the State Bank Building at the city ending of Highway 13. Built in 1837-38 at a cost of $80,000, it was an imposing structure for that time and this area. With its wide stone steps and massive columns, said by many to be the finest of their kind in America, the building still is impressive.

Except for a brief period during the Civil War, when there was fear that raiders from south of the river might seize its assets, a bank was operated here until the 1920s. Now it stands deserted with a bulging side that indicates approaching collapse and the vanishing of another Illinois landmark.

Across the street as the visitor approaches the levee is the site of the once noted Riverside Hotel, where many travellers took lodging. Among these was Mark Twain, who there became acquainted with a lively boy named Thomas Sawyer Spivey. This boy's first names furnished the title for Twain's masterpiece, "Tom Sawyer". Some of the escapades that young Spivey related to the author became parts of his book that has charmed millions.

A hundred yards or so along the levee from the site of the Riverside Hotel is another historic building. This brick house, the first such structure in Shawneetown, was built as the residence of John Marshall, merchant, trader, financier, politician, and community leader. In 1816 Marshall, who had for some time been performing bank services, joined with others and obtained a charter from the Illinois Territorial legislature and set up a bank in a lower room of his residence. Their "vault" that now rests in the museum of the Chicago Historical Society was a heavy wooden chest thickly studded with iron spikes. It was to this bank that legend says a group of men came in 1830 on an unsuccessful mission to borrow $10,000 to be used in the development of Chicago, only to be told that Chicago was too far from Shawneetown to ever amount to much.

It was also at this Marshall residence that a group of women met to form the first Presbyterian church in the town. A small bronze marker beside the upper doorway marks the building.

Other places of interest are the Rowan, Richerson-Caroll, Peeples, Docker, and Lowe homes, the Lafayette and Lincoln wells, the Caroll Store, the Methodist Church built in 1842, and the altar in the nearby Catholic Church. And the almost deserted river front will conjure up many a memory to those versed in river lore.

The names of numerous individuals of far more than local prominence are also associated with the old town, including Lincoln, Lafayette, Logan, Ingersoll, Marshall, Eddy, Kimmel, Hall, McClernand, McLean and others.

From the time when it was only the site of a Shawnee Indian village until now, the story of the crumbling old town is an interesting one. A leisurely visit to the place offers its rewards.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--Old attics and store rooms in Southern Illinois may be searched with renewed interest following announcement today of an archival collection program for the Southern Illinois University Library.

Ralph E. McCoy, library director, said the library wants to build up its collection of source materials which will be valuable for graduate and faculty research in a number of departments such as history, geography, economics, journalism, sociology and business administration. It also will be usable by Southern Illinois persons interested in local history.

The library seeks the following types of material: newspapers, old business and industry records, personal letters and manuscripts, local government records, photographs; local maps, including platbooks, and various printed items of local events, such as play bills, town directories, church and lodge directories.

Outright gifts of such materials will be preferred, McCoy said, but the library will take useful collections on long-term loan or on temporary loan for microfilming as funds permit. Only items which have a known research value will be borrowed for microfilming.

The SIU library already has made a good start on a collection of Southern Illinois newspapers but needs to fill in certain early issues in existing files and to add other titles.

McCoy heads an SIU archival advisory committee composed of John Clifford, social studies librarian; Robert Layer, economics department chairman; and John W. Allen, specialist on local Southern Illinois history.

The committee members who will be responsible for collecting materials are anxious to receive reports on sources of various documents in Southern Illinois. A geographic pattern will be followed in a systematic search for materials.

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1/25/57

Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--C. William Horrell, director of the Southern Illinois University photographic service, and Robert A. Steffes, former SIU journalism teacher, are co-authors of a new workbook of "Laboratory Exercises in Practical Photography," published in January (1957) by the Bradley Printing Company, Iowa City, Iowa.

In addition to listing "hints and precautions for working in the photography laboratory," some "common mistakes of beginners," and recommended demonstrations for photography instructors, the workbook contains 16 laboratory assignments for a course in photography.

The laboratory exercises cover the fundamentals of handling a camera, taking various types of pictures, developing film, and printing and enlarging photographs.

Steffes now is assistant professor of journalism at Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio.

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--A much greater percent of low-income or small farm businesses are in the southern part of Illinois than in the rest of the state, according to a recent survey by Harvey S. Woods, manager of the Southern Illinois University Experimental Farm.

Twenty-one percent of the farms in the 11 southern counties of Illinois had sales of less than $1,200 each in 1954. More than one-half of the Illinois farms--83,609--had farm products sales of $5,000 to $25,000 but in the 11 southern counties there were only 1,721 farms in this bracket.

Causes for low income farms are farm income trends and changing technology, Woods says. Low farm income is the result of operators having inadequate resources to allow efficient farming under today's price relationships and technology, he points out. Those with greater available production resources have been able to adapt to the changing conditions with less difficulty.

There are two general types of farm technology. One type, which can be purchased and applied in variable amounts, is just as applicable on the small as on the large farm, such as the use of fertilizers, better seed varieties and better livestock breeding through the use of artificial insemination. These result in increased production at a reduced per-unit cost.

The other, which includes modern farm machinery, requires large capital outlays per unit and is cost reducing only on large operations and large volume.

Under today's production conditions, the potential income for the small farm and small farm business does not appear highly favorable, Woods says. They do not have the level of living that families on large farms with large businesses have. Most likely the trend toward fewer and larger farms and a declining farm population cannot be reversed. If it were reversed, there would likely be bigger problems of surpluses, lower prices, higher production control costs, and lower levels of living, not only for farmers but for others in our economy.

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Increased efficiency in operation is not the only answer because this is just as feasible for the larger operation. Woods says future alternatives for the low-income or small farms seem to depend on more available land and suitable credit for an increase in the size of the farm business; or upon available non-farm jobs that will allow the farmer to accumulate capital so he can enlarge his farming operation or change from farming to non-farming operations.

The family on the small farm today is in trouble not because that size unit has always been too small, but because technological change in recent years have made it inefficient. The public has a responsibility in creating opportunities that will make the alternatives realistic and obtainable for the farm families who must make the adjustments, Woods concludes.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

Carbondale, Ill., Jan. -- Southern Illinois University and Illinois Normal University--the two top wrestling teams in the Interstate Conference--will collide in a dual meet at Normal Saturday (Feb. 2) afternoon.

Southern will be after its tenth straight dual meet victory--a skein which started almost a year ago. SIU won the IIAC league crown last year, dethroning Illinois Normal, league champions for several years.

This Saturday's clash shapes up as a great one with SIU heavily favored in some weights and Illinois Normal given a big edge in others. Normal, recent 15-14 winner over the University of Wisconsin, hopes to gain revenge over the SIU grapplers, who last year rolled over Normal, 26-9.

Victim number nine on Southern's win string was Ritenour YMCA, which hosted SIU at Overland, Mo., last Saturday (Jan. 26). Facing some former SIU wrestling standouts and some brothers of present Southern wrestlers, SIU Squeezed out a 22-16 triumph.

Southern's captain Bob Dunkel, St. Louis, tied Pete Orlando, twin brother of SIU's John Orlando, in one of the feature bouts. John, meanwhile, won his contest, 6-2.

Other SIU winners were James Whittenberg, Carbondale; Roy Fowley, Belleville; Spencer Smith, Alton; John Caynak, Racine, Wisc.; and Ed Hayes, Carbondale; and John Barger, Kirkwood, Mo.

Leading Normal this week will be Jay Meitzler, 157-pound junior from Danville, who was IIAC champion last year. Other top men include Ron Larsen, 147-pound senior; Dan Winland, 130-pound junior; Fred Moore, 167-pound junior, all of Danville; and Ron Riek, 137-pounder from Pekin.

Normal will be favored in most of the lower weights with Southern expected to fare better in the upper divisions.

Probable SIU contenders will be Whittenberg, 123-pounds; Fowley, 130; Lee Grubbs, Overland, Mo., 137; Smith or Caynak, 147; Herman Ayres, Harvey, 157; John Orlando, 167; Dunkel or Gary Burdick, Omaha, 177; Burdick or Bob Schrote, Wood River, 191; and Ed Hayes, heavyweight.

Southern has a home meet against Indiana University Feb. 9. -bh-

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1/28/57

Release: IMMEDIATE

Carbondale, Ill., Jan. -- Striving for its first win of the season, Southern's gymnastic team hosts Western Illinois in a dual meet here Friday (Feb. 1) night at 7:30.

Western Illinois, a heavy favorite, is taking a long-range look at the IIAC gymnastic crown, which will be awarded for the first time in March, 1958 (correct).

Southern lost, $73\frac{1}{2}$-$22\frac{1}{2}$, to the University of Illinois at Champaign Saturday (Jan. 26). Earlier this season Southern dropped a 58-18 decision to Michigan State.

Main SIU standout against Illinois was Gene Salmon, Grayville, who tied for second in the side horse.

Southern's probable entries are: Free exercise--Kelly Smith, Cisne; captain Jerry Oettle, Hardin; and Gary Danner, Carmi. High bar--Jerry Cuendet, Kirkwood, Mo.; Oettle; and Julius Johnson, St. Louis. Rings--Oettle and Johnson.

Side horse--Johnson, Smith, Salmon. Tumbling--Roger Counsil, Wood River; Danner; and Bob Hauser, College Hills. Parallel bars--Salmon; Danner; Johnson.

Southern will entertain Navy Pier here next Tuesday (Feb. 5) at 7:30 p.m. There will be no admission charge for either the Western or Navy Pier meets.

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NEWS from Bill Lyons
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Carbondale, Ill. -- Phone 1020

1/28/57

Release: IMMEDIATE

Carbondale, Ill., Jan. -- Under proper control, hundreds of acid-content strip mine ponds in Southern Illinois might produce highly desirable fishing locations, according to Southern Illinois University fisheries experts.

The news was contained in a report by members of the SIU Cooperative Wildlife and Fisheries Laboratories to representatives of agencies cooperating in a three-year-old strip-land wildlife research project near Pinckneyville. The study, being carried out by SIU staff members and students on land donated by the Truax-Traer Coal Company, is designed to produce ways of managing and developing coal-stripped areas for better hunting, fishing and recreation.

Meeting on the SIU campus, representatives expressed surprise at progress already made on the deeply scarred 940 acres. Gravel roads now cut through the once-inaccessible area, many of the steep spoil banks have been leveled, and a program of food and habitat planting has resulted in increased bags of game for hunters.

Vernon Cole, fisheries researcher, said strip-pond acid might be a blessing rather than a curse. Utilization of some pond's acidity to control fish population growth (a big management headache) might result from studies completed so far. One pond, with a pH (acidity factor) reading of 3.5, contained an all-adult fish population. Anything under 5.1 was previously regarded as deadly.

Researchers have begun a program of treating acid lakes with hydrated lime and fertilizer combinations and will test growth patterns and population adjustments. One 20-acre pond, which has received only 11 tons of lime, has increased from a pH reading of 3.9 to 5.1, Cole said, while parts-per-million acidity has dropped from 75 to 29. The lake should be ready to stock with young fish in May, and future stocking combinations will determine what kind of fish populations are best for strip mine ponds.

Cole indicated that the comparatively inexpensive liming operation wouldn't have to be repeated for another three or four years after the desirable pH level had been acquired. The major object of liming and fertilizing is to encourage algael bloom, chief habitat attraction for fish.

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Howard Stains, researcher in the SIU Wildlife Research Laboratory, said game in the area is grazing so heavily on food plantings that "the big problem now is putting in enough food to last all winter." Heavy corn growths in a 40-acre control area were quickly depleted by raccoons and groundhogs. Millet plantings were nibbled bare by rabbits, and groundhogs ate soybeans before they sprouted.

Stains said hunters reported steadily increasing kills of rabbits, quail and furbearers in the area, all of which is open to hunters.

Lou Weber, forester for the Illinois Coal Strippers Association, one of the cooperators, said "in our increasing effort to develop other mined-over lands, we will be looking toward SIU for more results on this project. The success to date more than justifies our cooperation." Weber then gave a tractor to Dr. Willard Klimstra, SIU director of Cooperative Wildlife Research and chairman of the advisory committee on strip-mine investigations, The tractor will be used in spoil-bank leveling.

Other agencies cooperating in the study are the Illinois Department of Conservation, Illinois Natural History Survey, Wildlife Management Institute, U.S. Forest Service, and National Sport Fishing Institute.

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1/29/57

Release: IMMEDIATE

Carbondale, Ill., Jan. -- Southern Illinois University's cagers clash with Indiana State at Terre Haute Thursday (Jan. 31) night in SIU's last non-conference game of the year.

Although holding only a 10-6 record for the season, Southern will enter the game a slight favorite. SIU's most recent victory was over Millikin University, 74-70, at Carbondale Monday (Jan. 28) night.

It was only the third loss for Millikin, a team which has won 13. One of the other defeats was a 90-85 decision for SIU during the Christmas holidays. The only other team to beat Millikin this season was Wheaton College, one of the nation's most powerful small college teams.

Going into the SIU tilt, Millikin was averaging 84.7 points per game--one of the country's top offensive marks.

SIU Coach Lynn Holder did not use any substitutions in the Millikin game, which was close throughout. Holder plans to use the same players against Indiana State: Warren Talley, Pinckneyville, and Seymour Bryson, Quincy, at forwards; Larry Whitlock, Mt. Vernon, center; and captain Gordon Lambert, Marion, and Richard Jones, Herrin, at guards.

Indiana State has only a fair record, but has lost some close games to strong teams. Victories have been over Belmont College, Mantako State, Concordia, St. Joseph's, Western Michigan, Georgetown, and Muskingum. SIU and Indiana State have had no mutual opponents.

Following the game, SIU's cagers will have eight days to prepare for the first of seven straight conference games as the Salukis close out their season. Next SIU home game will be against Eastern Illinois Feb. 14.

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NEWS from Bill Lyons
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1/29/57

Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--With ten straight victories under their belts, Southern Illinois University's swimmers are favored to win against St. Louis University here at 2 p.m. Saturday.

Southern downed St. Louis, 62-22, last season.

SIU Coach Bill Heusner says Southern swimmers are nearing their peak and expects several varsity and pool records to fall during home meets in February.

Winning eight of ten firsts, SIU defeated Western Illinois, 61-25, last Saturday (Jan. 26.) Southern, currently in its third swimming season, turned backk Western Illinois for its first swimming victory only a year ago this week. Since that time, the Salukis have lost only once.

Tough tests lie ahead for Southern with home meets against the Air Force Academy Feb. 9, Illinois Normal, Feb. 15, and Missouri Mines, Feb.16.

Winning against Western Illinois last week were Tom Harris, Highland Park, 220-yard freestyle; Al Cline, Springfield, 50-yard freestyle; Charles Strattan, Mt. Vernon, 200-yard butterfly; Bruce Coleman, West Frankfort, diving; Robert Schulho Chicago, 200-yard backstroke; Rex Paddock, Grafton, 440-yard freestyle; John Huber, Hoopeston, breaststroke; and a 400-yard medley relay team composed of Robert Campbell Kankakee; Terry Lockman, West Frankfort; Laurence Benjamin, Highland Park; and Robert Montgomery, Grafton.

Among the SIU second-place winners were Joe Barry, Edwardsville; Wib Stoever, Chester; Dave Burkstaller, Wyatt, Mo.; Vaughn Hathaway, Chester, and Bill Busch, Jerseyville.

Saturday's meet (Feb. 2) against St. Louis University will begin at 2 p.m.

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1/29/57

Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--One of the nation's first college or university manual arts therapy curricula has been developed by the Southern Illinois University Industrial Education Department, Dr. Ralph O. Gallington, chairman, reported today.

The basic SIU curriculum provides a four-year program leading to a bachelor of science degree with a major in manual arts therapy. It will prepare students for supervising or teaching in a field having a shortage of trained personnel.

An outstanding feature of the SIU program is hospital internship. The student is expected to spend two summer school sessions during his junior and senior years as an intern in manual arts therapy at a recognized hospital. There are a number of such institutions, primarily state and federal hospitals, Gallington says.

Manual arts therapy is therapeutic in nature but is aimed at developing self-confidence in the handicapped patient while he is learning to work with other people and to share social responsibilities in the home and the community, Gallington explains. Physical therapy, involving treatment which will enable a patient with physical or mental deficiencies to regain his faculties and develop coordination of the mind and muscles, precedes occupational or manual therapy.

Gallington says he has been consulting with the Veterans Administration and with persons from other interested educational institutions on the problem of manual arts therapy training curricula.

"The curriculum we have worked out here is not a perfect one," he says, "but it is about as close to adequacy as we can get now. For the time being it will not require any additional or special staff in the SIU Industrial Education Department.'

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He points out that the U. S. Civil Service Commission recognizes several options of specialization in this field. These are:

1. Metalworking, which includes such subject fields as machine shop, sheet-metal work, auto mechanics, precision instrument repair, light mechanics, and watch repair, and similar activities.

2. Woodworking: cabinet making, wood turning, wood finishing, furniture making, furniture repair and upholstering.

3. Electricity: radio, television, house wiring, appliance repair, and others.

4. Graphic and applied arts: printing, drafting, commercial art, photography or bookbinding.

5. Agriculture. vegetable growing, soil management, implement and building repair, animal husbandry, horticulture, or poultry raising.

6. Hospital industry: including subject fields used in connection with a hospital industry program.

7. A general option which includes any combination of the others.

Gallington says the first two years of the SIU program are approximately the same as those of the regular industrial education major. Specialization occurs in the junior and senior years, providing possibilities to qualify for practically any or all of the suggested options.

Reports indicate that salary and advancement opportunities in the field of manual arts therapy are good.

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Special feature of the afternoon session will be a panel discussion at 1:30 p.m. in which students and P-TA representatives will exchange opinions on P-TA policies regarding teachers. Harlan Beem, SIU lecturer in education, will be moderator.

Dr. Jacob O. Bach, director of Southern's Educational Research Services, will evaluate the workshop before the 3 p.m. adjournment.

P-TA representatives who will assist in the workshop besides those previously named include:

BENTON. Harry Treadwell
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Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- W. E. Petersen, widely known University of Minnesota dairy specialist, will highlight the program for Southern Illinois University's second annual Dairy Workshop, Feb. 26 and 28.

SIU dairy specialists Howard H. Olson and Alex Reed point out that last year's plan of separating the first and second days of the workshop with a free day will be followed again to enable persons attending the workshop to catch up with urgent jobs on the farm.

Growing the dairy herd and feeding for best production will be topics for the first day's sessions. Dairy herd management, mastitis control problems, and the production and use of forage crops for dairy feeding will be considered during the final day. One-half day will be devoted to each general topic with specialists in each leading the discussion. Olson says details on the program and session leaders will be announced soon.

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SIU SPORTS BRIEFS

Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- A home meet against Bradley University Monday (Feb. 4) night has been added to the Southern Illinois University wrestling schedule.

Southern, undefeated in the past nine dual meets, opposes Illinois Normal there Saturday (Feb. 2). Indiana University will be at Southern for a meet Feb. 9.

The Bradley clash is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. There will be no admission charge.

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Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- More than 30 Southern Illinois University students will attend a women's sports day program at Illinois Normal University at Normal Saturday (Feb. 2).

Southern will enter three complete basketball teams in the competition, which will feature entries from Northern Illinois, Western Illinois, Blackburn College, Carthage, Eastern Illinois, and the University of Illinois, in addition to SIU and the host school.

On February 9 Southern teams will go to a sports day at Principia College.

SIU students scheduled to attend Saturday's sports day at Normal are:

TAMMS: Inez Adams
VANDALIA: Karen Asselmeier
ANNA: Diane Boyd, Janice Dale, Margaret Flint-Smith
EDWARDSVILLE: Kay Burrus
COLLINSVILLE: Rose (Cis) Cunningham
MORO: Phyllis Dorsey
HILLSBORO: Doris Dunkirk
ROXANA: Shirley Fleming
CHICAGO: Gale Gehlsen (4105 W. 58th), Pauline Loeffler (6842 S. Dante), Jane Miller (5655 Harper)
CARLYLE: Lois Harriss
BENTON: Pat Hollada
VALIER: Shirley Harvengt
SALEM: Marsha Hearn
BATAVIA: Jan Johnson
PARIS: Shirley Kroenung
CHESTER: Pat McCree
WOOD RIVER: Rebecca Petitt, Mickey Sanders
CARBONDALE: Sharyn Russell, Joanne Beckmann
CARRIER MILLS: Dinah Tanner
BELLEVILLE: Joyce Weber
VALMEYER: Barbara Young
PANA: Cynthia Hinton
STAUNTON: Darlene Wenner
GRAYVILLE: Rosalie Glover
HARTFORD: Gloria Branson

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SIU COUNTRY COLUMN

by Albert Meyer

Foreign trade has no small overall importance to our nation's agriculture. The American farmer always has had the means of growing more food and fiber than the nation's growing population has been able to use. In earlier days the ambitious farmer pushed into frontier areas where cheap, new land was available for development. For him transportation to market was a problem to be overcome in disposing of agricultural production. From then until modern technology hit agriculture, the farming class formed a substantial portion of the nation's population.

More recently the number of farms and farmers has decreased in numbers, but the know-how to produce agricultural commodities has grown rapidly--more rapidly than the population. Consequently, export of agricultural commodities in some form--either as raw products or manufactured material--continues highly important to the well-being of the American farmer.

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Many nations are short on the dollars that it takes to import from the United States. Their ability to import may depend upon the export of commodities for which our nation has no need, or which may adversely affect large groups of our people. Many factors enter into the problem of increasing exports of American agricultural commodities.

Government programs are a basis for 60 percent of the agricultural exports from the United States, Wills points out. These programs are used for various amounts of different commodities. For example, government programs handled 56 percent of our exports of feed grains, 72 percent of our cotton exports and 16 percent of the dairy products exports.

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More than 12 percent of our agricultural exports are to Japan. Feed grains and cotton are important to this market.

The United Kingdom gets nearly 12 percent of our farm exports, emphasizing tobacco and feed grains.

It is interesting to note that our northern neighbor, Canada, takes nearly nine percent of our agricultural exports. Fruits and vegetables are the principle commodities bought. The United States supplies more than two-thirds of Canada's total agricultural imports.

The Netherlands receive much feed grains from the United States in taking nearly eight percent of our agricultural exports. About the same amount of commodities goes to West Germany. Here feed grains and fats and oils are important agricultural products imported.

Of specific agricultural commodities entering world trade, Wills says, the United States provides the following percentages of the total: grain sorghums, 93 percent; cottonseed and oil, 80; lard and tallow, 75; soybeans and oil, 67; powdered milk, 57; corn, 48; grapefruit, 44; tobacco, 29; wheat and flour, 29; and cotton, 22.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., JAN. -- Township tax assessors and county officials from throughout Southern Illinois will attend an orientation meeting on the Southern Illinois University campus March 14. The meeting, required by law, is designed to update assessors, treasurers and clerks on legal technicalities on their jobs.

Dr. David Kenney, associate professor of government, will address the 100-man group at the 10 a.m. opening session in the Library Auditorium. His topic will be "The Importance of Local Government."

The meeting will be directed by the Property Tax Division of the State Department of Revenue.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., FEB. -- Southern Illinois 4-H and vocational agriculture youth with poultry projects have an opportunity to participate in the eighth Illinois Junior Chicken-of-Tomorrow Contest for which rules have just been announced, says Richard Creek, Southern Illinois University poultry specialist who is a member of the 13-member contest committee.

Co-operating sponsors are the Illinois Poultry Improvement Association (which furnishes the awards), the Poultry Division of the State Department of Agriculture, the University of Illinois Extension Division, and SIU. Awards will be given on sectional and state-wide bases.

Contest entries must be made by April 1 to Clarence Ems, Springfield, Poultry Division, Illinois Department of Agriculture. Hatching dates for entries wil be April 15-18, and contestants will deliver 10 live cockerels to the judging center at Lincoln (Illinois), June 19. Judges will consider the eight best birds.

For sectional awards the state has been divided into northern, central and southern divisions of equal numbers of counties.

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ELDORADO, ILL., Feb.--Eldorado will soon have a home-grown industry employing up to 50 men in the rebuilding and processing of Diesel engine parts.

The new Eldorado Manufacturing Co. already has 125 stockholders, more than half of whom are local residents. Two of the four company officers and the two additional members of the board also live in Eldorado.

Development of industry with local capital has been one of the projects of a long-range community development program this town has been working on for three years with the help of Southern Illinois University.

The Community Development Association announced that the new company will build a 60 x 100 foot masonry and steel building west of town on U.S. Highway 45. Contracts will be let within the next two weeks for construction of the $30,000-$35,000 building, and it is expected to be ready for occupancy by June.

Meanwhile, the company will begin operations in a skating rink building here as soon as equipment is received, servicing valves and other parts for large Diesel motors such as those used by railroads, barge lines, shipyards and other installations. Employes will be hired in small groups and trained on the job until the working force numbers 40 or 50 men.

K. C. Douglas, Tekonsha, Mich., president of the firm, has been a plant superintendent in related industries for the past 30 years. Vern Boudreau, Kankakee, vice-president in charge of sales, has had long experience as a manufacturers' agent.

Other officers are T. Leo Dodd, first general chairman of Eldorado's "Operation Bootstrap" community development campaign, vice-president, and E. H. Webster, Eldorado, secretary-treasurer. Additional directors are Bob Holman, local auto dealer, and Gill Montgomery, Minerva Oil Co., Eldorado.

Stock holdings in the company range from one to 825 shares, and more than half the common stock purchases were made locally.

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Dodd said Douglas and Boudreau became interested in Eldorado because of the progress it has shown in its community development efforts, and decided to set up a firm with wide distribution of local ownership and without any large stock holdings.

"After many months of earnest endeavor," said Dodd, "Eldorado's first goal has been reached in the effort to bring to this community an additional payroll and employment for some of those who might otherwise be compelled to move to other areas in search of jobs."

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Jan.--Mrs. Faye McCall Striebinger, Centralia retailer, will be featured in a talk about "The Woman's Important Place in Business" at a meeting of the Southern Illinois University Commerce Club here Tuesday (Feb. 5.) The meeting is open to the public.

Mrs. Striebinger, owner of the Smart Shop in Centralia, is a member of the Board of Directors of the Illinois Retail Federation and is a leader in area civic affairs. She is also a member of the advisory group to SIU's Small Business Institute.

An open forum and refreshment period will follow the meeting.

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LINCOLN AND MILITARY WEAPONS
by John Allen
Southern Illinois University

Another anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth is here, and another year accordingly is added to the Lincoln legend.

During this past year several books and other publications about Lincoln have appeared, and still others are in preparation. As the many-sided genius of the man is explored his greatness increases. It becomes easier to understand why more has been published concerning him than about any other man in history unless it be about the Apostle Paul.

One of the books published during the year tells of the influence that Lincoln sought to exert in the selection of the actual tools with which the war was fought. While it reveals his rare insight into the problem of waging a successful war with improved devices and weapons, it also points to the apparent utter lack of imagination on the part of some of the principal men who directed military affairs.

It is not strange that Lincoln would be interested in the tools to be used. Several incidents in his earlier years may help to explain this interest. First, his father was a competent carpenter and cabinet maker, and the boy helped him in this work. From his boyhood, Lincoln had been acquainted with the rifle and was skilled in its use. It was the ingenious manner in which he got his flatboat over the dam at New Salem that first brought him to the attention of the men there.

Then there are letters and accounts of other lawyers who rode the judicial circuits with Lincoln that tell of his custom, when opportunity came of pausing to carefully and thoroughly inspect any new piece of machinery he found. He prepared and delivered a lecture entitled, "Discoveries and Inventions." As an attorney he was interested in some patent cases.

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In 1849, Lincoln drew the plans, constructed the necessary model, and was granted a patent for an apparatus to float flatboats over shoals. Thus it can be seen that he came to the presidency with more than the average understanding of things mechanical and scientific. It was certainly well that he did.

When Lincoln began the duties of president he found a chaotic situation. Many of the more able military men were resigning their commissions to cast their lot with their native states. Others were hesitant concerning the course they would pursue, some permanently leaving the service rather than be partisan. This left a group, many of them older and somewhat stodgy minded but definitely loyal. It was to this group that the president had to choose his trained military advisers.

In some of his selections from those available, Mr. Lincoln was indeed fortunate. One of his most competent, trusted and valuable aids was commander John A. Dahlgren, Chief Ordnance Officer at the Washington Naval Yard, then as now the place where naval cannons were made. It was this Dahlgren who designed the famous Dahlgren gun and for whom the Hamilton County, Illinois village was named.

Another trusted and competent helper and adviser was Captain Stephen Vincent Benet at West Point, grandfather of the poet bearing the same name. The approval of either of these men concerning arms and often secured more than casual attention of the 'stodgy minded' ones. Armament carried great weight with the president. On problems lying outside the fields mentioned, Lincoln most often turned to the noted scientist, Dr. Henry, able director of the Smithsonian Institute. It was with him that the president personally worked in testing flashing calcium lights for night signalling. Dr. Henry also advocated an "air force" of balloons for regular reconnaisance.

Not all the president's advisers were so helpful as those named. Among those who hampered progress, often apparently on purpose, were Simon Cameron, Secretary of War, and Brigadier General James W. Ripley, Chief of Ordnance. Cameron's usefulness was also lessened by his incompetence and political maneuvering, Ripley's decisions sometimes appear to have been arrived at because of his petulance, slavery to precedent, jealousy, or plain vindictiveness. His office gave him great power to help or hinder as he chose.

New weapons, particulary rifles and carbines, were often personally tested by the president and some helper, perhaps a secretary, a private soldier, or even the inventor. It was a common sight to see the president and one of his secretaries trudging toward some open space where a satisfactory range could be found. On one such occasion a corporal with a squad of soldiers came to enforce the ruling that firearms must not be discharged within the city, only to find that the violator was the president stolidly firing away at a target set against a nearby woodpile. The squad quickly withdrew. Lincoln turned to his secretary who was helping with the test and dryly remarked, "They might have stayed and seen the shooting."

Sometimes tests and demonstrations were made before larger groups that might include the president, cabinet members, generals, senators, officers, and important citizens. These were sometimes called "champagne experiments." Before such groups they tested larger guns, rockets, incendiary shells, flame throwers, steam guns, centrifugal guns, the breech-loading machine gun to which Lincoln gave the name of "coffee mill gun," the breech loading cannon, mortars, and submarines.

One "Submarine No. 12" is recorded as docking for repairs at the Mound City yard near Cairo in 1863.

Through at least the first two years of the war, the president was constantly beset by those wishing to interest him in their favorite project. To most of these Mr. Lincoln listened patiently and considerately. Others were disposed of more promptly. One promoter of armored vests was invited to "put it on, go out there and let them shoot at you." (Likewise credited to Wellington.)

Perhaps the president was most disappointed at his failure to have the army equipped with breech loading rifles and cannon. His advocacy of the breech loading rifle was repeatedly justified. Particularly was this true at Gettysburg when one company equipped with these arms held General Sickles forces at bay forty minutes, just long enough to allow the Union forces to deploy to receive their attack. Perhaps this was the most critical forty minutes of the entire battle.

Time has demonstrated that Mr. Lincoln was far in advance of his time in his thinking concerning the usefulness of military devices.

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

by Albert Meyer

Cheat is a grasslike weed plant familiar to Southern Illinois farmers who grow wheat or other winter grains. It often grows densely along roadsides, bearing bountiful crops of seed for self propagation. Botanists point out that it is an annual plant related to brome grass, maturing between May and July--about the same time that winter grains ripen. Cheat came from Europe.

How it came to have its common name of "cheat" undoubtedly relates to its deceiving early appearance which somewhat resembles the wheat and oats plants, where it turns out to be a grassy weed that robs the farmer of yields of grain. It has been reported that cheat causes the United States farmers a $500,000 loss every year.

Many wheat growers in Southern Illinois likely do not find themselves bothered so much with cheat in their crops now as they did a decade or two ago when they were not boosting their yields so high with thicker stands of wheat and the use of fertilizers. Perhaps they have not bothered to wonder about the cause of less noticeable cheat in their winter grain stands, but there seems to be a definite reason in the nature of the plant.

Dr. George H. Dungan, visiting professor of agronomy at Southern Illinois University and for many years an agronomist at the University of Illinois, reports some interesting observations about cheat which were brought out recently in experiments. He collaborated in the work with H.W. Carter and H.W. Norton at U. of I.

Dungan points out that cheat is an opportunist plant. It isn't killed easily but may be held back under certain conditions. If these are absent, the cheat jumps in quickly and holds on even when the competition is rough.

The experimenters found that the early growth of the cheat plants was slow. Ten-day-old cheat plants had roots only one-fourth as deep as wheat plants of the same age. The tops grew faster than the roots, but even so, the cheat plants were only about one-half as tall as wheat at the end of 10 days.

This weak start puts cheat at a disadvantage if there are plenty of wheat plants surrounding it. Why is this? The men found that sowing wheat at double the normal rate did not kill the cheat plants but it kept them from stooling (making more stems from the same plant roots). Here they found that each cheat seed produced just one stem and only a little seed.

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However, in a thin stand of wheat, each cheat seed plant produced three stems with heads of seed. In areas where there was no wheat, the cheat plant stooled so much that it averaged eight stems, producing large amounts of seed. Thus, if the farmer obtains a poor stand of winter grains or suffers winter kill, the cheat plants will take advantage of the poorer competition, get a stronger start and produce a lot of nuisance seed.

Dungan gives two or three simple, obvious hints for controlling cheat in winter grains. Use a winter hardy, vigorous variety of winter grain that has been cleaned free of cheat seed. Sow the grain thickly on highly productive soil. Productivity can be assured by maintaining a good fertility program, including soil testing and the addition of such plant nutrients as are needed. This procedure will not eradicate cheat from a cheat-infested field, but it will hold to a minimum the amount of seed this weed pest produces.

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NOTE TO EDITORS: Several weeks ago, Southern Illinois University released a series of articles describing new construction that is planned for the campus if Southern's capital appropriations request is approved by the state legislature. The following article is the first in a series built around the University's request for more operating expenses).

(This is the first of a series of three articles explaining Southern Illinois University's budget request for operating expenses during the next two years).

CARBONDALE, ILL., FEB. -- The Illinois legislature has been asked to vote $25,264,139 for the operation of fast-growing Southern Illinois University during the next two years.

Overcrowded classrooms, heavy teaching loads and low faculty salaries are among conditions the University hopes to correct if this sum is appropriated.

In its budget request, the University stated that its unprecedented growth has caused problems that cannot be met without sizable increases in funds. During the past biennium alone, enrollment jumped by more than 1600 to the present level of 6255 students, and prognosticators who have been conservative in the past expect Southern's campus to be invaded by 9000 students in the fall of 1960.

The small college of a few years ago has mushroomed far out of proportion to funds available for operation, SIU officials say, even though substantial boosts have been made by each of the past several sessions of the General Assembly. For 1955-57, Southern received $14,677,426 in operating funds, but this was not enough despite some rigid economies that have proved tough on their students, the faculty and area residents seeking University services.

Southern was forced to place a strict downhold on new projects whether designed to meet educational demands or to benefit the people of Southern Illinois.

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Off-campus services and extension courses were cut back. Evening and Saturday classes were made part of the regular University schedule so that precious classroom space could be used to best advantage. Salary hikes were parceled out in July, 1955, after the last session of the General Assembly, but virtually no pay increases have been made since.

Even with these economies, SIU needs a $400,000 deficiency appropriation to make ends meet for the remainder of the current biennium which ends June 30.

Under these circumstances, it is becoming more difficult to hire experienced teachers to meet the enrollment boom, the University explains. They can command more lucrative salaries from other universities and from business, industry and government agencies. It has therefore been necessary to make some temporary appointments of faculty members who do not meet the University's normal requirements.

On the other hand, the University points out, even the best instructors cannot teach at top efficiency when there are 30 or more students in a single class. Yet, even courses like psychology in which individual instruction is particularly important have as many as 60 students at Southern.

Although freshman English courses were split up into 89 separate sections last fall, each section still averaged slightly above normal in enrollment. In the entire English department, there were 135 class sections, meeting anywhere from one to four times a week, which were manned by only 46 teachers. And some of these instructors were only working on a part-time basis, or they held down administrative jobs in addition to teaching. Many of the top administrative officers, including the deans and the registrar, pinch hit in the classroom to meet the teacher shortage.

Lack of funds to attract enough teaching personnel has other repercussions besides crowding classrooms and forcing faculty members to double up on assignments. Needed research which can have practical applications to area and state problems has been shelved because staff members are so busy with other duties. For the same reasons, the University's emphasis on service to communities, groups and individuals off the campus has suffered some setbacks.

Subsequent articles in this series will detail how the University would use the $25,264,139 it has requested for operating expenses during the next biennium.

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(The second article of this series will be mailed next week.)

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--"Singing Games and Dances," a book of Southern Illinois recreational customs written by David McIntosh, associate professor of music at Southern Illinois University, will be published by the Association Press, Feb. 18.

The product of 15 years of research, the book will contain music and text to 50 games and dances from McIntosh's collection of over 700 folksongs and games.

McIntosh, a Steeleville native who has been researching the sources of U.S. folk customs since 1930, said the book includes formation games "playable by anyone from six to 90." Association Press, publishers of all YMCA books, intends the publication to be a text source for recreational use.

Previous publications by McIntosh include "Sing and Swing," published by the SIU press and "Singing Games and Dances of Southern Illinois," a privately printed booklet.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Southern Illinois 4-H and vocational agriculture youth with poultry projects have an opportunity to participate in the eighth Illinois Junior Chicken-of-Tomorrow Contest for which rules have just been announced, says Richard Creek, Southern Illinois University poultry specialist who is a member of the 13-member contest committee.

Co-operating sponsors are the Illinois Poultry Improvement Association (which furnishes the awards,) the Poultry Division of the State Department of Agriculture, the University of Illinois Extension Division, and SIU. Awards will be given on sectional and state-wide bases.

Contest entries must be made by April 1 to Clarence Ems, Springfield, Poultry Division, Illinois Department of Agriculture. Hatching dates for entries will be April 15-18, and contestants will deliver 10 live cockerels to the judging center at Lincoln (Illinois,) June 19. Judges will consider the eight best birds.

For sectional awards the state has been divided into northern, central and southern divisions of equal numbers of counties,

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Hal Boyle, noted columnist for the Associated Press, will speak at a charter presentation dinner for a Southern Illinois University undergraduate chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, national professional journalism fraternity, Feb. 14 in Carbondale.

Boyle, who will be on the SIU campus as an Elijah P. Lovejoy Lecturer in Journalism, also will speak at a freshman convocation at 10 a.m. the same day. Established by Southern's Department of Journalism in 1954, the Lovejoy lectureship annually brings to the University prominent journalists for formal addresses and classroom appearances.

One of the nation's top newspaper columnists, Boyle during World War II was an AP correspondent covering the Mediterranean and European theaters of operation. A recipient of the Pulitzer Prize for Distinguished Correspondence, he also has been named one of the nation's 10 most outstanding young men by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

A team of present and past national officers will conduct the "SDX" initiation ceremony, scheduled for 5 p.m. Feb. 14 in the Library Auditorium, according to Charles C. Clayton, SIU visiting professor of journalism who will be faculty adviser for the new chapter.

In addition to the initiation of some 15 students, a number of area journalists will become members of the Southern Illinois Professional Chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, Clayton said. The professional chapter also will elect officers. Nominating committee members are William Morgan, Sparta News-Plaindealer; William C. Boyne, Carbondale, Southern Illinoisan; Charles Cook, Herrin, Radio Station WJPF: Charles Cox, Altamont News; and D. Wayne Rowland, SIU assistant professor of journalism.

Wives of University faculty members of the fraternity will be hostesses at a reception in the Library Lounge following the initiation.

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Members of both the student and professional chapters and wives will attend the 7 p.m. dinner at the Carbondale Elks Club, where Boyle will speak.

The SIU undergraduate chapter will receive its charter from William Ray, Chicago, midwest news director for the National Broadcasting Company. Ray is a member of the Sigma Delta Chi Executive Council.

Accepting the charter will be Clayton, a past national president and editor of The Quill, official magazine of the fraternity.

Other speakers will include Victor E. Bluedorn, Chicago, Sigma Delta Chi executive director, and Irving Dilliard, editor of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch editorial page and a past national president.

Among those planning to attend are Dr. Frederick Siebert, director of the School of Journalism and Communications, University of Illinois; members of the University of Illinois and University of Missouri undergraduate chapters; and representatives from the Chicago and St. Louis professional chapters.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Four Chicago advertising experts will exchange "how to sell" ideas with small town retailers and newspaper-radio advertising representatives in a Second Annual Advertising Workshop Feb. 15 at Southern Illinois University.

Co-sponsoring the meeting with the SIU Department of Journalism is the Illmoky Advertising Club, which includes members from Illinois, Kentucky, and Missouri.

The workshop panelists, all employes of J. Walter Thompson advertising agency, will be headed by Julian C. Winthrop, trade and promotion director who has been with the firm's Chicago office for 12 years. A native of DuQuoin, Winthrop previously was associated with the National Tea Company and the American Dairy Association.

Other team members will be Patrick E. O'Brien, whose speciality is automotive advertising; Dean Jones, food marketing expert; and Leon Ronnel, copy writer who previously was employed by a mat syndicate serving more than 1,000 newspapers.

Although associated with one of the world's largest advertising agencies, the panel members are well acquainted with retailers' problems on the local level, according to Dr. Donald G. Hileman, SIU associate professor of journalism and workshop director.

To be conducted at Southern's Library Auditorium, the meeting will consist of four 90-minute sessions beginning at 10 a.m., with breaks for lunch and dinner at the University Cafeteria.

A $5 registration fee, which must be mailed by Monday (Feb. 11), covers both meals, Hileman said.

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Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- With winter term registration completed, Southern Illinois University administrators have added another upward stroke to the school's enrollment trend. Final figures show a 12 percent increase over the 1956 winter enrollment.

Registrar Robert McGrath reported 5,931 students in residence as of Jan. 28, compared to 5,260 a year ago. The biggest gainers, by academic units, were the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Vocational-Technical Institute, School of Communications, and unclassified undergraduates. The newly created department of industrial education lists 377 students.

Registration totals include 151 students at the Belleville Residence Center. Not included are 833 students in off-campus extension courses, and 2,296 enrollees in non-credit adult classes throughout the area. University School lists 515 elementary and high school students on the rolls.

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- Small farm forests, most of them inadequately managed, comprise nearly 90 percent of the forest land in Illinois and neighboring states, according to two foresters at Southern Illinois University.

With this in mind, Leon S. Minckler, silviculturist, Carbondale Forest Research Center, and John F. Hosner, SIU assistant professor, have written "How To Farm Your Forest," a guide for woodland owners of Southern Illinois and adjacent regions. The 68-page booklet, published by SIU in cooperation with the Central States Forest Experiment Station, U.S. Forest Service, will be available for distribution to interested persons in a few days.

The publication is crammed with factual material presented in logical order and practical, non-technical style appealing to the average reader who wants to learn how to manage his forest acres to best advantage, Minckler points out. It is the first comprehensive "how to do it" booklet written on woodland management in this region, he says.

After an introductory discussion of why woodlands should be managed, the authors present specific and simple instructions on eight points that the farmer needs to know in "farming his forest." Included are: recognizing a few of the common classes of trees; making the timber grow faster; knowing which trees to cut, kill or leave standing; getting reproduction of trees in the forest; protecting the forest property; harvesting and selling the forest crop to the best advantage; and building up the forest stand.

Thirty-eight photographs and drawings are included to illustrate. Tables and charts serve as handy references. The appendix includes a glossary of simple forestry terms, a list of Illinois state forestry offices, a guide to farm use of Southern Illinois trees, a list of publications on forestry, and other information.

Farm woodland owners and others may obtain the publication by asking for it by title, or as Central States Forest Experiment Station Miscellaneous Release No. 11 at the SIU School of Agriculture, or the Carbondale Forest Research Center, Box 760, Carbondale.

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Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- Southern Illinois University debaters ran their season record to 118 wins against 42 defeats last weekend (Feb. 1-2), winning a second and third place trophy in the "Gorilla" Debate Tournament at Kansas State Teachers College.

The senior team of Peter Morris, Carbondale, and Ted Foster, Mt. Vernon, placed second in the meet, losing in the finals to Southwestern College at Winfield, Kan., by a split decision. Morris and Foster beat William Jewell College, Central State College (Okla.), Kansas State Teachers, Kansas State and Southwest Missouri in the preliminaries, advancing to the finals with a 3-0 semifinal decision over Kansas University.

In the junior division, Ray Carterbery, Mt. Morris, and Robert Holton, Granite City, breezed through six preliminary challenges before dropping a similar split decision to Southwestern College in the semifinals.

Another senior team, Kenneth Carter, Belknap, and Vernal Beckman, Granite City, won four out of six.

Some 30 colleges and universities from six states participated in the meet at Pittsburg, Kansas. SIU Coach Walter Murrish called his team record "significant", since only two of the six debaters, Holton and Foster, had more than a year of college experience.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Southern Illinois University sports fans will be treated to an outstanding double-barrel attraction here this Saturday (Feb. 9) afternoon as the SIU swimming and wrestling teams-both undefeated--entertain the Air Force Academy and Indiana University in key contests.

Both SIU squads have won their past 11 meets.

Southern's swimming team, which will clash with the Air Force Academy, ran up its biggest score in history in winning its 11th straight meet, 70-15, against St. Louis University here last Saturday (Feb. 2.)

The wrestling team, which posted a 7-1 record last year in addition to capturing the Interstate Conference title, holds decisions over Eastern Illinois, Illinois Normal, Ritenour YMCA (St. Louis,) Bradley and Great Lakes (twice.)

Despite their long winning streaks, both SIU teams will enter Saturday's competition as underdogs. However, neither wrestling coach Jim Wilkinson nor swimming coach Bill Heusner will concede any ground or count their teams out of the running.

Wilkinson flatly says that in some weights he has men superior to Indiana's entries. Indiana--the last team to defeat SIU--has other ideas and points out its easy win over Southern last year and its tie meet against tough Northwestern this past Saturday (Feb. 2.)

Standing out in SIU's 19-13 mat triumph over Illinois Normal last Saturday (Feb. 2) was Herman Ayres, 157-pounder from Harvey, who tied Normal's Jay Meitzler, who was undefeated in his past 27 bouts. Last year Meitzler won the Wheaton tournament and Interstate Conference titles and won top honors at the University of Illinois tournament.

Other Southern wrestling entries against Indiana will be Jim Whittenberg, Carbondale, 123-pound class; Roy Fowley, Belleville, 130; Lee Grubbs, Overland, Mo., 137; John Caykna, Racine, Wisc., 147; John Orlando, Overland, Mo., 167; Gary Burdick, Omaha or Bob Schrote, Wood River, 177; captain Bob Dunkel, St. Louis, 191; and Ed Hayes, heavyweight.

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Southern's swimmers will be paced by captain Joe Barry, Edwardsville, who set a new 100 yard freestyle varsity record of :56.5 last week. Other probable contestants: Al Cline, Springfield; Tom Harris and Laurence Benjamin, Highland Park; Robert Montgomery and Rex Paddock, Grafton; Dave Burkstaller, Wyatt, Mo.; Vaughn Hathaway and Wib Stoever, Chester; Robert Campbell, Kankakee.

Charles Strattan, Mt. Vernon; Bruce Coleman, West Frankfort; Roger Counsil, Wood River; Robert Schulhof, Chicago; John Huber, Hoopeston; and Bruce Coleman and Terry Lockman, West Frankfort.

The swimming meet is set for 2 p.m. at the University pool, while the wrestling clash will begin at 4 p.m. in the Men's Gym. There will be no admission charge for the wrestling meet; regular prices will prevail at the swimming encounter

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Joseph P. Vavra, soils specialist in the Southern Illinois University School of Agriculture, will be the speaker for the annual Southern Illinois DeKalb Corn Contest awards dinner at SIU Monday, February 11.

The firm will recognize its corn production award winning farmers from the southern third of the state at the noon meeting in the SIU Cafeteria.

Vavra, a native of Union Pier, Michigan, has been a member of the SIU Agriculture department faculty since 1951, teaching soils courses and conducting experiments on the use of fertilizers for farm crops in Southern Illinois.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Nothing but conference games lie ahead for the Southern Illinois University cagers who this week engage the Interstate Conference's two Michigan entries--Central Michigan and Eastern Michigan--in important road tilts.

A double win could push the Salukis out of second division (2-3) into a big fight for the league's runner-up spot. Western Illinois has all but won its third straight cage crown, posting a perfect 6-0 record at this half-way point of the conference season.

The number two spot is strictly a toss-up with every school, including last-place Illinois Normal (1-4) all still very much in the running.

SIU Coach Lynn Holder, whose Salukis are now 10-7 for the season after dropping a 76-54 decision to Indiana State last week (Jan. 31,) says Southern will have to be at its best to even win one of this week's games.

The Michigan schools, after finishing in second division last year, have suddenly emerged as important cage powers. In fact, Central Michigan--SIU's opponent Saturday night--is the only school to defeat Southern at home this year. The Chippewas from Central Michigan turned back the Salukis, 67-60, in December.

Friday's night game will be against Eastern Michigan, 78-60 loser to SIU in December.

Holder has tentatively listed his usual starters: Seymour Bryson (6-4,) Quincy, and Warren Talley (6-3,) Pinckneyville, at forwards; Larry Whitlock (6-5,) Mt. Vernon, at center; and Gordon Lambert, (6-3) and Richard Jones (5-9,) Herrin, at guards. Holder, however, has indicated that some reserves may see considerable service.

These key reserves include Robert Welch, Centralia; Don McCee, Chester; Joe Gonzales, Granite City; Sam Duane, Galatia; Gene Sams, Albion; Don Curry, Aurora; Arlen Hill and Marion Rushing, Pinckneyville; and Dick Ruggles, Quincy, Mass.

Following this week's double action, the Salukis will return home to entertain Eastern Illinois here Thursday (Feb. 14) in a league contest. The following Saturday (Feb. 16,) SIU plays at Northern Illinois.

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Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- New president of the Illinois Schoolmasters Club is Dr. Roye R. Bryant, director of Southern Illinois University's Placement Service.

Bryant, who previously served on the club's executive board, succeeds William E. McBride, principal of Farragut High School in Chicago. School officials throughout the state are members of the club, which has been active for 69 years.

Bryant has served two terms as president of the Illinois Teacher Placement Association and is vice-president of the Midwest College Placement Association.

The SIU faculty member received his bachelor's degree at Southern, his master's at the University of Illinois, and his doctorate at Washington University in St. Louis.

A native of Norris City and a former principal of Metropolis High School, Bryant joined the SIU faculty in 1948. Two years later he was named Placement Service director. He is listed in the current edition of "Who's Who in American Education".

(Bryant was elected and installed as the Illinois Schoolmasters Club president at an annual meeting of the organization Friday (Feb. 1) in Bloomington. Others from SIU who attended were Dr. Orville Alexander, chairman of the government department, and Jess W. Turnbow, field representative.)

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--More than 250 Southern Illinois farmers will be attending a new series of ten adult evening short courses in agriculture being offered in area communities this month by Southern Illinois University.

Farmers will meet one night weekly for six weeks in local high schools or other convenient meeting places to learn some of the newer practices in agriculture that will help them to be more successful. The SIU School of Agriculture and the SIU Division of Technical and Adult Education co-operate with the local high school or other sponsoring group in offering the courses without tuition during winter months when farm work is slack and farmers have more time to go to school.

More than 3,200 farmers have been enrolled in the 120 classes that SIU School of Agriculture faculty members have taught in Southern Illinois communities since SIU started its six-weeks short course program in agriculture in February, 1949. Alex Reed, SIU professor of agriculture, is supervisor of the program.

Five classes held their first sessions Monday evening (February 4,) another opened Thursday (February 7,) and one each will begin on February 12, 13, 18, and 25

Classes and their instructors are:

Started Feb. 4--At Anna: Swine Production, taught by Joseph E. Burnside, SIU swine specialist.

Benton: Farm Machinery Repair, Fred W. Roth, a riculture engineer.

Columbia: Dairy Production, Howard H. Olson, dairy specialist.

Christopher: Farm Structures, Milton Shute, agriculture engineer.

Sesser: Dairy Production, Alex Reed, dairy specialist

Feb. 12--DuQuoin: Farm Management, Harvey S. Woods, farm management specialist.

Feb. 13--Marissa: Marketing Farm Products, Walter J. Mills, marketing specialis

Feb. 18--Carbondale: Crop Production, Herbert L. Portz, crops specialist.

Feb. 25--Red Bud: Soils and Fertilizers, Joseph P. Vavra, soils specialist.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Thomas J. Abercrombie, staff photographer for National Geographic Magazine, will headline the program for the seventh annual Kappa Alpha Mu Photo Fair at Southern Illinois University February 24.

Abercrombie will discuss "The Newspaper Photographers Friend: the 35mm Camera," speaking on the afternoon program held in connection with the KAM photographic exhibi His appearance will be jointly sponsored by the SIU department of journalism and the Alpha Gamma chapter of Kappa Alpha Mu, honorary photojournalism fraternity.

The young National Geographic photographer is a native of Stillwater, Minn., attended Macalester College at St. Paul, and worked as a photographer on the staffs of the Fargo, North Dakota, Forum, and the Milwaukee Journal before taking his present position last July. He was picked as Newspaper Photographer of the Year in 1954 by the National Press Photographers Association and the University of Missouri, and by the Wisconsin Press Photographers Association in 1955.

According to Robert E. McMurtrie, student president of the SIU Kappa Alpha Mu chapter, the afternoon program will open at 1:30 p.m. in the SIU library auditorium. It will include discussions by specialists on flash photography and color photo printing. The annual photographic exhibit from entries in the Photo Fair competition will be on display in the library foyer February 23-24.

Deadline for entering photos (mounted on standard 16" X 20" mountboards) will be February 15. The competition includes three general classifications, open to either amateur or professional photographers: News, Portrait, and Commercial. Subdivisions are: news--spot news, features, sports action, and picture story; portrait--formal, informal, and child's portrait; commercial--architectural, illustrative, still life, and pictorial. Awards will be given in each.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Placement tests for area high school seniors planning to enter Southern Illinois University next summer or fall will be administered at

_____ _____ at _____, according to Dr. Jack W. Graham, co-ordinator of the SIU Counseling and Testing Center.
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Students' scores on the achievement-type tests will determine the amount of English and mathematics instruction they will be required to take during their first year at Southern, Graham said.

Students need not give advance notice for taking the tests, which will be administered without charge. Testing time is two and one-half hours.

"These tests are not entrance examinations," Graham emphasized, "and only the students' academic advisers will know the results."

Seniors in more than 30 other Southern Illinois high schools also are taking the tests in the University's revised testing program.

In the past, SIU's placement testing has been part of New Student Week, which comes at the opening of the fall quarter.

"By administering the tests now, we will be ready for advisement much earlier than before," Graham said. Testing in other fields will remain on the New Student Week agenda.

(Note to Editors: High schools where tests will be administered, and testing times and dates, are as follows:

9 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 16 -- Cairo, Edwardsville, Hillsboro, Marion, Murphysboro, Sparta, West Frankfort

9 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 23 -- Benton, Carlyle, Chester, Effingham, Harrisburg, Metropolis, Mt. Vernon, Salem, Vandalia, Waterloo

9 a.m. Saturday, March 16 -- Alton, Fairfield, Flora, Pinckneyville

1 p.m. Saturday, March 16 -- McLeansboro, Olney

9 a.m. Saturday, March 30 -- Anna-Jonesboro, Carmi, East St. Louis (Senior High School,) Herrin, Lawrenceville, Mt. Carmel, Rosiclare.)

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Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- Dr. Henry Bruinsma, chairman of the Southern Illinois University music department, will be guest conductor when the Southern Illinois Symphony Orchestra presents concerts in DuQuoin and Carbondale Feb. 25-26.

Bruinsma will appear in the absence of Dr. Maurits Kesnar, founding conductor of the area group, who has been hospitalized for further treatment of a persistent ailment.

Guest artist for the two concerts will be Audrey Paul, a leading Chicago concert, opera and oratorio soloist. A contralto, she will sing the area, "O mio Fernando," from the Donizetti opera, "La Favorita," and "Sesquedilla," from Bizet's "Carmen."

The orchestra program, scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Monday (Feb. 25) at the DuQuoin Township High School auditorium and 8:15 p.m. Tuesday (Feb. 26) in Shryock Auditorium at SIU, will include the following: Overture to "Semiramide," by Rossini; "Caucasian Sketches," by Iwanow Ippolitow; "Hungarian March," from "The Damnation of Faust," by Berlioz; "Hymn and Guguing Tune," by Henry Cowell; and Strauss' "Emperor Waltz."

Admission to the concerts is 50 cents. The Carbondale appearance, the group's second of the season, is sponsored by the Carbondale Business and Professional Women's Club.

Miss Paul, acclaimed the best woman singer of the 1947 Chicagoland Music Festival, has sung leading roles with the Chicago Opera Company, the Grant Park Symphony, and at the Mesker Park Summer Concerts in Evansville, Indiana. She also has performed with leading choral societies in the midwest and has toured for the Civic Music Associations and Community Concert Association.

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Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- Joseph P. Vavra, soils specialist in the Southern Illinois University School of Agriculture, will address the annual meeting of the Jackson County Soil Conservation District in Murphysboro February 20 (Wednesday).

Vavra will discuss improving the agricultural economy by the use of fertilizers for efficient crop production and the best use of land. The group will meet in the Farm Bureau building.

A native of Union pier, Michigan, Vavra has been on the SIU agriculture department faculty since 1951. In addition to teaching, he has been conducting experiments on the use of fertilizers for Southern Illinois farm crops.

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

SIU COUNTRY COLUMN
By Albert Meyer

Dr. Walter J. Wills, marketing specialist at Southern Illinois University, believes that farmers will find cattle prices under some pressure through March because the number of cattle on feed is greater than a year ago, and farmers have indicated they will market about 45 percent of these cattle during the first quarter of 1957.

Wills bases his assumptions on the U.S. Department of Agriculture' annual report of cattle on feed January 1. The number in the feedlots this year is from four to five percent more than in either of the last two years for the country as a whole. Illinois farmers had about eight percent more cattle on feed January 1 than a year earlier.

The big three states in the cattle feeding business are Iowa, Illinois, and Nebraska in that order. Iowa had more than twice the 560,000 feeder cattle in Illinois feedlots January 1. California, Minnesota, and Indiana followed in order behind Nebraska.

There may be some strengthening of the cattle market after March, but Wills thinks it doubtful that there will be as much of a seasonal rise as the farmers enjoyed in the summer of 1956. Last year farmers had marketed about half of their cattle on feed by the end of March. This year they will have about 55 percent left on feed at the end of the first three months. Undoubtedly, this is because increased numbers this year were put on the farms as calves or as lighter weight cattle and will be moving to market a little later than in 1956.

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Some dairy production figures from the St. Louis milk shed will point up the growing trend toward larger dairy herds and better producing dairy cattle. For example, the average daily production per producer in this region was 289 pounds in 1947. In 1955 this had increased to 376 pounds, and last year the average daily output was 429 pounds per producer.

Wills says this upward trend in pounds of milk per producer is evident throughout the country. It is but a part of the agricultural revolution that is in progress under pressure of increased operating costs and the growing of iciency of farming enterprises.

The above and many other facts about agriculture today only emphasize the thought that things on the farm aren't like they used to be. Earl M. Hughes, widely known farmer near Woodstock, Ill., called it an industrial revolution in agriculture when talking to SIU students recently. It got started in a small way a half-century ago, but the changes in agricultural development since just before World War II have been of almost breathless rapidity. Not only has there been advancement in mechanization, but rapid strides have come in the development of improved plant varieties, in better livestock, and in chemistry for agriculture.

The result has been that the total farm output has more than tripled since 1910. Livestock production is up one and one-half times but the production of feed grains has been increased five-fold. Yet, the farmers of America are able to produce all this increase with 40 percent fewer manhours than in 1910. This advancement in agriculture resulted in doubling the output per farm worker between 1920 and 1954.

Let's take a few examples of the growing mechanization as pointed out by Hughes.

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In 1910 there were 1,000 tractors on American farms; in 1955 there were 4,750,000. For combines the contrasting figures were 1,000 and 960,000. There were no corn pickers in 1910 but in 1955 United States farmers were using 665,000.

This shift in kind of motive power on the farm, of course, spelled decline in the use of horses and mules. In 1954 the number was down to 4,600,000. The change in motive power meant a shift in the use of the acres formerly devoted to producing food for those horses and mules, a revolution in itself.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Large, government-developed agricultural projects promoted to attract colonists are a new development in Venezuelan agriculture, says W. E. Keepper, dean of the Southern Illinois University School of Agriculture. He recently returned from a six months assignment as farm management expert and consultant to the Venezuela Ministry of Agriculture under the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization.

The Turen unit, comprised of nearly 50,000 acres in a semi-tropical area of west central Venezuela, is a government project. Another, the Guarico unit made up of larger farm units, is under development in the interior south of Caracas.

The Turen project area was cleared of jungle nearly five years ago and laid out into more than 500 farms averaging about 100 acres each. The government's development included building a road system, electrical facilities and running water for the farm homes, and a service center where are located schools, churches, rice dryers, a machinery repair center, stores, and administrative offices.

Farmers who settle in the area plan to buy farms on a time payment plan and operate independently except for a general agricultural and marketing policy that is set up by the government. Farms are sold at prices determined by the cost of clearing and developing the area. The Turen farmland sells for about $130 per acre even though not of uniform quality. The cost of farm buildings is added.

Keepper, who worked in the Turen project for a week last August, observed several management problems facing the average farmer there. Because of the relatively small farm units, high cost of land and high investment in farm machinery, the farmer follows a continuous cropping system to try to pay his debts. There is no livestock on the area because farms are too small to allow acreage for pasture. The cropping system and the blazing tropical sun result in rapid depletion of soil organic matter.

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The average colony farmer likes machinery and invests heavily in farming equipment. In the Turen project this amounts to about $100 per acre. Part of the high investment in machinery relates to rice production which is an important cash crop. However, the average Turen farmer seldom has more than 50 acres of rice annually for the total of two crops produced. Harvesting rice is a particular problem because the grain must be combined and immediately transported to the central dryer. An additional hazard for the fall crop are migratory rice birds which arrive in September and soon clean up half of the crop for any farmer who has not finished his harvest by then. These problems limit reliance on custom harvesting or cooperative ownership of expensive rice combines.

Dry beans and field corn are important food crops but have too high production costs to be used for animal feed. Ground corn is a staple food item, widely served as arepa (a kind of corn meal cake) and tortillas (a flat cake.) Wheat bread from imported flour is an important farm crop. Sesame (a plant grown for its oil-bearing seed) is an important farm crop.

Most farmers at the Turen project are immigrants from southern and central Europe and, therefore, face the problem of adjusting to unfamiliar cropping conditions. Some keep their farms in good condition some do not. The project road system originally was good but has been allowed to deteriorate. Some of the settlers consider farming in the project only a temporary proposition while seeking to buy land outside the area, Koepper says.

The uniform Turen land price schedule, without consideration for differences in land quality, has been a disadvantage to some farmers and has augmented the tendency to buy farm land outside the project. Another is that land prices outside the area are considerably below the price of land in the Turen project which is high because of the high development cost.

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Such government developed areas would offer excellent possibilitie for farm management research and demonstration, but there is a lack of trained personnel with long term tenure in farm management to advise project farmers. Increased research seeking solutions to soil fertility problems, an investigation of irrigation problems, and expanded livestock programs are needed, Keepper says.

On the whole, the farmer in Venezuela is happy. Since 97 percent of the nation's federal income is from oil, he is not bothered with land tax. He spends money freely with little concern for saving and drives a good car. He operates under no great pressure for efficiency and management to realize a profit from his farm. Good-sized farms are common, and the average farm family has three or four children. Farm machinery manufactured in the United States is the most common in use, but there is a liberal sprinkling of equipment made in West Germany, England, and Italy.

The common farm home in the Turen project has three small bedrooms, a kitchen and a general living room. Homes have electricity and running water. Some have modern plumbing. Some are landscaped with shrubbery but others are drab and bare, depending on the industry and taste of the owner.

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(This is the second in a series of three articles explaining Southern Illinois University's budget request for operating expenses during the next two years.)

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Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- The high cost of today's living has hit the college professor just as hard as the automobile production worker, argues Southern Illinois University in a bid for faculty salary increases.

The University has asked the state legislature to boost Southern's operating appropriation by $10,425,513 for the next two years. Nearly 30 percent of this increase would go for faculty pay hikes.

A recent report cited by the University in its budget request shows that the buying power of college professors dropped 10 percent between 1929 and 1953. During the same period, the purchasing power of physicians rose 48 percent, automobile production workers 57 percent, and telephone operators 45 percent.

It used to be that colleges could pay professors low salaries because there was not much competition for their services. There were few places outside the academic world where the scholar could find employment. But things have changed, SIU officials say.

Several faculty members have resigned from Southern recently to take high-paying jobs in business, industry, and government agencies. The same losses are being felt by educational institutions all over the nation with the result that colleges are in salary competition with each other, as well as with private firms and government bureaus, for qualified instructors.

Prosperity and full production in the business world are strong inducements to teachers who see their students pulling down starting salaries higher than they have received after years in the profession. The bargaining position of the student is indicated by a recent report of the SIU Placement Service which says that each graduate of Southern in the 1955-56 academic year had an average of 35 job offers.

Against these odds, the University faces the dual problem of hanging on to present faculty members and attracting new instructors to the campus to alleviate crowded classes and teacher overloads brought aboutby the University's phenomenal enrollment gains of recent years.

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Out of the total operating budget request of $25,264,139 for operations during the 1957-59 biennium, the University has earmarked $2,109,000 for adjustments in salary levels.

Other major increases sought by the University represent funds necessary to give individual students the same educational opportunities as they had in the 1951-53 biennium. During that period, enrollment temporarily leveled off, and the budget made fairly adequate provision for each student. The number of students on campus has doubled since that time, however, and the University figures it needs an additional $1,342,119 to put things back on an even keel.

Increased appropriations in the amount of $1,936,021 have been requested to strengthen and develop necessary educational programs that were started on a shoestring after Southern graduated from a teacher's college to a full-fledged university.

Southern also has asked the legislature for an addition of $2,004,281 to the University's operating budget to meet inevitable new expenses that will be cropping up during the 1957-59 biennium. Between 700 and 1000 additional students are expected to seek admittance to the University during each of the next two years. Southern will try to accept these students and catch up with a backlog of requests from area towns for extension and adult education offerings.

Also listed in the $10,536,713 increase the University is seeking are: $170,000 to put new buildings into operation; $309,000 for development of residence centers; $370,000 for library books, and $57,292 for scholarships.

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(The third article of this series will be mailed next week.)

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SAINT VALENTINE'S DAY LONG OBSERVED

John W. Allen
Southern Illinois University

(Correction: In last week's article it was said that a company of riflemen delayed General Sickles for forty minutes. The delay was correct, but it was General Longstreet who was delayed. -- John Allen)

Southern Illinois observes its full quota of holidays and special days. Excepting Memorial Day, to which this region may lay valid claim of the first organized observance, these days are attached to events and practices that arose elsewhere. Some, like the Fourth of July and Veterans Day are historically of recent origin. Others trace back to ancient times.

Among the days that have been observed for many centuries is Saint Valentine's Day, February 14. Many of the practices and much of the lore attached to this day are the same as those observed at the Lupercalia, a festival of ancient Rome. Records are somewhat sketchy until about 600 years ago when its observance began to be noted regularly in Scotland, England, and France. The manner of its early observance in Rome and later in the other countries named is so similar that that one comes to the conclusion that the observance has been continuous.

In ancient Rome it was the custom of a group of youths to place an equal number of girls' names in a box and to draw them by lot. The youth who drew a girl's name was privileged to court her for the coming year; she was his special friend to whom he gave devoted attention. It was somewhat a mock betrothal. As first practiced, it appears that the girl had little to say in the matter.

This practice of the Lupercalia offended churchmen and they offered a substitute plan by which a name of a saint would be drawn instead of a girl's name. The one drawing the name of a saint was to exemplify the virtues of that saint for the coming year. Somehow this plan did not meet with the approval of the boys and the earlier practice, perhaps slightly modified, returned.

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When the practice of observing the day first appears on record in the British Isles, it was the custom of the lad and the lass whose name he had drawn to exchange gifts. Later the lad alone provided a gift. Gloves appear to have been favorite gifts, but other gifts included clothing, trinkets or jewelry. There is a record of one such gift to the value of 800 pounds Sterling being given. A lad drawing a name also kept the slip of paper on which the name had been recorded. Sometimes he wore this paper on his cloak, or he might write a bit of sentiment upon it and send it to the lass. It is said that the sending of this missive gave rise to the present custom of sending valentines with their sentimental ditties.

The sending of comic or mock valentines came into wide practice about 60 years ago. In one year, about 1900, the Chicago post office handled some 1,250,000 valentines, mostly of the comic variety. Of the ones offered for mailing, 25,000 were considered as unfit for transmitting through the mails. It must have been a field day for the postal workers inspecting them. In the same year the post office at Philadelphia handled about 750,000. Anyone wishing to take a sly dig at another may still find old-time comic valentines for use.

Although the name of St. Valentine has become associated with the day, there is no apparent reason for such except that he was killed by Roman authorities on that day. In fact, there were two Valentines killed on that day, February 14, 270 A.D. Since Lupercalia was on February 13 and St. Valentine was executed on February 14, the two became associated, and Valentine thus unwittingly became a patron saint of those with love problems.

The date for the Lupercalia was first set on the day when, according to pagan belief, birds selected their mates and flew away to nesting and connubial bliss. This belief is found also in the earliest written mentions of the day in Britain. Chaucer says, "For this is Saint Valentine's day when every fowl cometh there to choose his mate". Shakespeare also alludes to it when he says, "Saint Valentine now is past. Begin these wood birds but to couple now".

Another explanation of the name valentine would have it derived from the old Norman word 'galantin', meaning lover of women, the letter 'g' taking somewhat the same sound as 'v'.

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The explanation that the name comes from that of the saint appears the more valid.

There is evidence that the day was somewhat seriously considered by some. Dame Elizabeth Drew wrote to John Paston with whom she was trying to arrange a match with her daughter, Margery, in 1477 that he should come to visit them on the eve of St. Valentine's Day and remain for three days. Final results are not known, but two letters written by Margery a few weeks later address John as her 'beloved Valentine'.

The eve of St. Valentine's day also had its magic. A lass might adorn her pillow with bay leaves, bake a dumb cake and place it under her pillow, or burn a piece of paper with her beloved's name and place them on a looking glass under her pillow, or she could boil an egg, remove the yolk and fill the space with salt, then eat the egg, salt and all. In either of the above cases she would dream of her intended. There are numerous other methods judged equally reliable.

It now seems that people have lost faith in the lore surrounding the day. Some comic valentines, however, are still sent along with nicer ones. Many a man or lad will casually stop at the corner drug store and buy a heart-shaped box of candy or some trinket that proclaims sentiment and present it to his girl. Parties galore will be held and some of the age-old practices will be observed.

Best of all, however, will be the joy that the day will bring to kindergarten and primary pupils who will design and make their own valentines to take home to mother and to give to those whose names they draw. No matter how it started, it is a nice day to observe.

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Forage sorghums are consistently outyielding corn in tonnage of silage per acre in Southern Illinois, according to Herbert L. Portz, crops specialist in the Southern Illinois University School of Agriculture.

Forage sorghums have been tested in comparison with U.S. 13 corn for two years at the Carbondale Cooperative Agronomy Research Center, jointly operated by SIU and the University of Illinois. The average 1956 forage yield of 20 varieties of sorghums tested was 21.7 tons per acre. The corn yielded 16.3 tons of forage.

In averaging the results of similar tests at Dixon Springs, Champaign, and DeKalb with those at Carbondale the difference was slightly less. Forage sorghums produced an average of 21.3 tons per acre while corn forage production averaged 18.8 for the same locations. All production figures are on the basis of adjustment to 70 percent moisture.

The top-yielding half dozen forage sorghum varieties for the four locations were Sart, Sugar Drip, Tracy, Kansas Orange, Nebraska Experimental No. 17, and Sumac 1712. All yielded between 23 and 29.9 tons per acre, but the late-maturing Sart and Tracy had poor grain development. Several others produced above 20 tons.

At the Carbondale station, Nebraska and Sumac failed to measure up to the average for the four locations, while two others--Meridian 52-1 and Texas Honey Sorgo--not grown at all the other locations, ranked in the top six.

Portz says the silage value of the forage sorghums is about 90 percent that of corn for livestock in general, but is nearly of equal value for dairy cows. New developments in breeding hybrids show prospects of increasing the feed value of forage sorghums, but as yet few have been released to growers.

Because sorghums are adapted to dry, hot weather such as often occurs in Illinois in midsummer and early fall, there is an increasing interest in this crop for feeding purposes. One distinct advantage is that they may be planted late if other crops fail, or they may follow a small grain harvest.

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Portz points out three problems to consider in growing forage sorghums and in selecting varieties for planting.

1. One is susceptibility to diseases. Some of the newer experimental hybrids seem to be much less susceptibile to disease than some of the long-season standard varieties such as Sart or Meridian 52-1.

2. Lodging, too, often is a problem and is not a desirable characteristic when selecting varieties to plant.

3. Insects need watching. Earworms and army worms hit sorghums at the Carbondale station but were controlled by spraying with Dieldrin.

Southern Illinois farmers need to select varieties of forage sorghums to fit their cropping program, Portz says. For the future, hybrids look good, combining fair yields of forage with higher grain content to produce better feed. Nebraska 14A seemed the best of three Nebraska entries and a DeKalb hybrid showed excellent grain yields. All are early maturing. None of these hybrids are commercially available this year. Among the recommended early maturing standard varieties are Kansas Orange, Sumac, Atlas and Axtell. Sugar Drip has shown up well at Carbondale and Dixon Springs as a full-season crop even though disease gave some trouble in this variety.

A good fertility program similar to that used for corn is helpful in getting good forage yields from sorghum. The recommended seeding rate is five to eight pounds of seed per acre with plants spaced at about two inch intervals in the row.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Nominations are now being accepted for the 1957 Elijah Parish Lovejoy Award for Courage in Journalism, according to Dr. Howard R. Long, chairman of the department of journalism at Southern Illinois University.

Established at SIU two years ago, the award provides national recognition annually for a weekly newspaper editor selected for courageous editorial service "in the face of economic, political, or social pressures against him by members of his own community."

Purpose of the award, Long said, is to encourage outspoken, yet responsible, participation in local issues and controversies on the part of weekly editors.

Winner of the award will be announced during the week of July 14 at the annual Conference of Weekly Newspaper Editors at the University, where the recipient will be a guest.

Nominations, which may come from any state in the union, must be submitted in writing by one personally familiar with the circumstances of a weekly editor's outstanding service during 1956.

A jury of leading weekly newspaper editors will consider all nominations and make the final selection, Long said. Deadline for submitting nominations is March 31.

First to receive the Lovejoy Award was Mrs. Mabel Morris Reese of the Mount Dora (Fla.) Topic, who was cited as "a crusading woman editor who defied the Ku Klux Klan in her fight for justice in Florida." The presentation was made July 16, 1955.

The Lovejoy Award is named in honor of the crusading Alton, Ill., editor who became the first martyr to a free press in America. An ardent abolitionist, Lovejoy was killed by a mob in 1837 when he defied its demands to cease publication.

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Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- New curricula and courses leading to graduate degrees in music have been approved by the Graduate Council of Southern Illinois University, Dr. Willis Swartz, dean of the SIU Graduate School, announced today.

Courses leading to the two degrees, master of music and master of music education, will appear on the fall term schedule this year. The degrees were authorized by the SIU Board of Trustees in November, 1956.

Allowing for majors in four areas of study (music literature and history; music theory and composition; applied music, and music education), the curricula includes a unique co-requirement in that all students must study the history and analysis of musical style and research techniques in addition to completing theses.

Features in the program include courses in the pedagogy of music history and literature, theory, and applied music designed to train future college level teachers. Other highlights of the 33-course series are graduate seminars in each of the four major areas and courses in advanced composition, American music, history of performance practice, history of opera, 20th century literature, and contemporary idioms.

Dr. Henry Bruinsma, chairman of the music department, said "although the new courses and curricula conform in general to standards of the National Association of Schools of Music, of which we are a member, we have introduced some new features which we think make the program unusually fine. It represents another forward step in the development of music at Southern Illinois University."

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Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- A movie will "come to life" Feb. 20 for Southern Illinois University journalism students.

Lewis W. Roop, publisher of the Jefferson Republic at DeSoto, Mo., Will address the students in person after they have seen him in a film entitled "Missouri Editor".

One in a series of "Jobs in Journalism" lectures, the program is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at University School Studio Theater. The lectures are co-sponsored by the journalism department and the Journalism Students Association.

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company produced the 15-minute movie, which points up Roop's contribution to his community as publisher of its semi-weekly newspaper.

The Jefferson Republic has received a number of awards from the Missouri Press Association for its general excellence and community service projects.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--"Our Living Future," a motion picture prepared by Life Magazine to illustrate how communities can improve themselves, has been scheduled for showing at Southern Illinois University March 22.

The giant screen presentation, combining motion pictures, photographs and three-dimensional animation, is on a tour of 90 American cities. Its only other Southern Illinois showing will be March 21 at Eldorado, which is featured in the film for its "Operation Bootstrap" efforts at community development.

David Hardy, Life Magazine staffer and radio news analyst who directed the film, will give a lecture in connection with the movie showing in Shryock Auditorium.

Richard W. Poston, director of SIU's department of community development, said an afternoon program would be conducted on the campus to demonstrate how Southern Illinois towns can undertake improvement programs similar to those shown in the film.

The three cities chosen by Life to depict successful community action programs are New Haven, Conn., Winlock, Wash., and Eldorado. Poston's community development staff of SIU is assisting in the Eldorado program, and he also worked in Winlock while directing the University of Washington's Bureau of Community Development several years ago.

The movie was prepared by Life as a public service contribution for the American Council to Improve Our Neighborhoods (ACTION.)

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--One hundred twenty-seven students at Southern Illinois University are practice teaching in public schools during the winter quarter, according to Dr. Charles D. Neal, director of teacher training.

Most of the education majors are conducting classes at University School, Southern's laboratory school, although 16 other schools in the area are cooperating in the program.

Part-time teaching is one of the final steps for students seeking SIU bachelor of education degrees.

Listed by home towns are the student teachers and, if practice teaching off the campus, schools to which they are assigned:

ALTON: Delores Budde (3635 Aberdeen)
ANNA: Diane Boyd (Rt. 2;) Loel Verble, Jr. (403 Freeman)
BELLE RIVE: Susie Cross, Mann School, Mt. Vernon
BELLEVILLE: Carol Keeney (325 W. Van Buren;) Mary Kessler (309 N. 42nd;) Joanne Perkins (6 Hilldale Dr.,) Brush School, Carbondale; Gary Wittlich (1015 Olive)
BELLWOOD: Margaret Whitmore (3306 Monroe)
BENTON: Jo Allois (303 E. Plum;) Jim Blalock (333 McFall;) Patricia Eigenmann (203 College,) Marion Junior High School; Harry Stewart (612 Joplin,) Benton High School; Charles Taylor (203 Gore)
BONNIE: James L. Rowe (Rt. 1,) Mt. Vernon High School
BROADVIEW: Maryann Vanwinkle (2309 S. 20th)
BUNKER HILL: William Miller, Jr.
CAIRO: Jane Curry (213 20th;) Delores Vanoy (2513 Poplar;) Betty Lou Verble (416 20th)
CALHOUN: Joe Wilkerson, Marion High School
CARBONDALE: Mrs. Theresa Bodeck; Roy Fowley; Ludene Hargis (502 S. Ash;) Jack Lawson; Margared Phillips (403 W. Freeman;) Arnold Ross, Jr. (420 E. Willow;) Phyllis Scherle (403 W. Freeman;) Derenda Taylor (315 E. Jackson;) Charles Thomas (900 S. Forest;) Juanita Troutman (Rt. 2,) Marion High School; Charles Wesley, Herrin High School; Orville Williams (Rt. 3,) Marion High School
CARRIER MILLS: Harrison Peyton (Rt. 1)
CARTERVILLE: Richard Bufkin; Mrs. Wanda Long (Rt. 2;) Patsy Poteete (Rt. 2)
CENTRALIA: Mariejo Bradford (435 N. Elm,) Attucks School, Carbondale; Shirley Gipson (356 W. 16th); Donna Hartley (Rt. 5)
CHICAGO: Lois Kalla (2854 W. 57th;) Harriet Vasos (2711 W. Winnemac)
COBDEN: John Lipe
COLUMBIA: Lester Schneider (717 S. Rapp)
CROSSVILLE: Mrs. Beverly Lamar Schwerhr (Rt. 2)
CREAL SPRINGS: Lavere Crockett
DE SOTO: Shelba Webb, Marion High School
DUQUOIN: Nancy Ann Genisio (402 W. North,) West Frankfort High School; William Malinski (Rt. 3)
EAST ST. LOUIS: William Brennan (1516 N. 46th), Herrin High School; Harold Perry (2718 Bond;) George Toussaint (623 N. 23rd)

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ELDORADO: John Gates (1614 1st,) Carbondale Community High School
ELKVILLE: Lindell Martie
EVANSVILLE, Ind.: Marilyn Hape (1213 E. Delaware)
FAIRFIELD : Patsy Bruce (113 W. Center;) Mrs. Patricia Cunningham Stewart (Rt. 5,) Benton High School
FARMERSVILLE: Ronald Nelson
GALATIA: Norma Clarida; Dorothy Hamilton (Rt. 1)
GERMANTOWN: Vernal Beckmann
GRANITE CITY: Loretta Lupardus (2710 Denver)
HARDIN: Robert Ducey
HARRISBURG: Jerome Hart (120 W. Raymond)
HERRIN: Betty Lou Booth (212 S. 11th;) Robert Noe (416 N. 12th)
HONOLULU, Hawaii: Florence Hirozawa (931 Lawelawe;) Molly Maedo (909 Kamilonui Rd.
HURST: Jerry Tarantino
INA: Dolores Clayton (Rt. 1)
JACKSON, Tenn.: Phyllis Ragsdale (153 Highland)
JONESBORO: Billy Sue Norris (702 N. Main)
KARNAK: Kenneth Halstenberg
KEENSBURG: Mrs. Patricia Nye Busch
LAKE VILLA: Duane Weber (Rt. 2,) Carbondale city schools
LAKE ZURICH: Martha Nelson (Rt. 1)
MACEDONIA: Wayne Page
MADISON: Donald Reed
MARION: Albert Anderson (1310 W. Cherry,) Marion High School; Mrs. Marilyn Talle Johnston (712 S. Virginia,) Logan School, Marion; Evelyn McElhattan (200 E. College,) Marion Junior High School
MASCOUTAH: Richard Teichmann (439 S. Railway)
MT. VERNON: Paula Turner (217 Castleton,) Royalton High School
MULKEYTOWN: Glenn Butler (Rt. 2,) Lincoln School, Herrin
MURPHYSBORO: Mary Gillooly (308 S. 17th;) Betty Rae King (1528 Logan;) Harry Lux (1442 Gartside;) Carol Smith (2015 Walnut)
NEW ATHENS: Ruth Emge (206 S. Market)
NOBLE: Marilyn Michels, Winkler School, Carbondale
NOKOMIS: Donna Menapace (415 S. Cedar)
NORRIS CITY: Carroll Doerner, West Frankfort High School
ODIN: Verlin Bundy, Marion High School; James Hawley
OLNEY: Marilyn Petty (512 E. Monroe;) Charles Vancleve (204 N. Fair,) Herrin high School
OTTAWA: Patricia Cook (200 College,) West Frankfort High School
PALOS HEIGHTS: William Farrell (12030 S. 71st Ct.), Carbondale Community High School
PEARL: Dona Wheeler, Lincoln School, Carbondale
PINCKNEYVILLE: Rebecca Arnett (Rt. 2)
PITTSBURG: Kenneth Graves (Rt. 1)
POCAHONTAS: Grace Siever (Rt. 1)
PONTIAC: Mrs. Lynda Cremer Sanger (805 N. Douglas,) SIU
RAMSEY: Norman Rhoades (Rt. 3)
ROXANA: Shirley Fleming (300 Clark)
ROYALTON: Leonard Missavage, Herrin High School
SALEM: Frank Brinkerhoff (200 E. Boone,) West Frankfort High School
SCHELLER: Richard Wyciakalla (Rt. 2)
SIDNEY: Marlene Topje (Rt. 1)
STEELVILLE: Paul Wolters, West Frankfort High School
STONEFORT: Robert Smith, Marion Junior High School
SUMNER: Eleanor Stout (Rt. 4)
TEXICO: Elizabeth Parker, Franklin School, Mt. Vernon

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THOMPSONVILLE: Joyce Berry (Rt. 3,) Herrin High School; Mary Ruff, Benton High School

VALMEYER: Ross Schneider

VANDALIA: Shirley Gott (408 S. 6th,) Royalton High School

WAUKEGAN: Laurni Wilson (2214 Crescent Pl.)

WAYNE CITY: Earlita Sanders, Winkler School, Carbondale

WEST FRANKFORT: Carolyn Bowyer (405 N. Gardner;) Ralph Dimmick (413 N. Benton Rd.) Henri Kinson (401 W. St. Louis,) West Frankfort High School; Richard Lamb (1209 E. Poplar;) Victor Smith (Rt. 2,) West Frankfort High School

WEST YORK: Julian Morrison, Jr. (Rt. 1)

ZEIGLER: Robert McCurtrie (209 Maple;) Margaret O'Brien (128 Maple.)

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- Dr. Stephen G. Boyce, associate professor of forestry for the past four years at Ohio University, Athens, joined the staff of the Carbondale Forest Research Center, U.S. Forest Service, at Southern Illinois University Monday (Feb. 11), according to Robert W. Merz, forester in charge of the Center. The Carbondale Research Center is a branch of the Central States Forest Experiment Station, Columbus, Ohio.

Boyce fills a vacancy created by the transfer of Glenn Deitschman to the Ames (Iowa) Forest Research Center in September, 1955. Merz says Boyce will be in charge of the Carbondale Center's forest regeneration studies for upland and bottomland forest land. This will include work on natural and artificial seeding and planting for forest reproduction.

A native of North Carolina, Boyce obtained his bachelor's and master's degrees in forestry and his doctorate in botany (with emphasis on plant ecology) at North Carolina State University. While on the Ohio University faculty he served part-time with the U.S. Forest Service at the Athens (Ohio) Forest Research Center.

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Merz also reported these other staff changes at the Carbondale Center:

Willard Jackson, wood technologist working here on primary timber utilization programs for two years, will transfer to the California U.S. Forest and Ranger Station research center near Susanville, California, February 19, continuing there as a wood technologist.

Chester Jensen transferred to the Ames Research Center in December to do part-time graduate work in forestry statistics at Iowa State College.

John Grath has moved to the Carbondale office from the Center's Kaskaskia Experimental Forest in Hardin county to serve as a silviculturist.

James Oberg, wood technologist on secondary forest utilization research projects at the cooperative Wood Products Pilot Plant on the SIU Southern Acres campus, resigned in November to accept a position as wood technologist with the Weyerhauser Lumber Company at Long View, Washington. -am-

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CARBONDALE, Ill., Feb.--Representative items from Dr. H. K. Croessmann's extensive collection of James Joyce materials are being featured during February in exhibits at the Southern Illinois University Library. Dr. Croessmann has been a Duquoin optometrist for the last 33 years and is an ardent collector of materials connected with Joyce, Irish-born writer who died in 1941.

Alan Cohn, SIU humanities librarian who has been in charge of arrangements for exhibiting the Croessmann' collection, says the 34 items displayed are only a small part of the optometrist's total collection of Joyce books, manuscript materials, letters, photographs and paintings of the writer. The exhibit will remain in the library foyer exhibit cases until the end of February.

One of Joyce's best known works, "Ulysses," a mock epic of modern man, is featured in the exhibit. Cohn says February 2 was the 35th anniversary of the publication of "Ulysses" and the 75th anniversary of Joyce's birth.

Croessmann became interested in collectin Joyce materials in 1923 while attending optometry school in Chicago. This interest was greatly enlivened in 1948 when he met James F. Spoerri, Chicago, another Joyce collector.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Gunning for its 13th and 14th straight wins, Southern Illinois University's swimming team hosts Illinois Normal here Friday (Feb. 15) afternoon and Missouri School of Mines here Saturday (Feb. 15) afternoon.

Friday's clash will begin at 4:30 p.m., while the Saturday afternoon meet will be at 2 o'clock.

Although they failed to win a single individual swimming event, the SIU swimmers recorded victory number 12 Saturday (Feb. 9) by turning back the Air Force Academy of Denver, Colo., 48-38.

Southern's only firsts were made by Roger Counsil, Wood River, in diving, and by the 400-yard medley relay and the 400-yard freestyle relay teams. The meet went right down to the wire, the final relay race deciding the winner.

Paced by Derry Adamson, who won three individual events, the Air Force set four SIU pool records. Southern captured all possible seconds.

The 400-yard freestyle relay team, which saved the day for Southern, set a new varsity record of 3:53:9. Members of the record-breaking team were Tom Harris, Highland Park; Al Cline, Springfield; Robert Montgomery, Grafton; and captain Joe Barry, Edwardsville.

SIU is a big favorite over Normal Friday, but the Missouri Mines meet is a toss-up. Last year Southern nipped the Miners, 42½-41½. The Missouri team is stronger this year than last and has been running up big scores in establishing an impressive record.

A double win for Southern this week end would leave only Loyola University of Chicago standing in the way of a perfect season for the Salukis, who had won only one swimming meet in history before launching its long win string in mid-season last year.

Probable SIU contestants this week, in addition to those previously mentioned, are Laurence Benjamin, Highland Park; Rex Paddock, Grafton; Dave Burkstaller, Wyatt, Mo.; Vaughn Hathaway and Jib Stoever, Chester; Robert Campbell, Kankakee; Charles Strattan, Mt. Vernon; Robert Schulhof, Chicago; Joe Huber, Hoopeston; and Bruce Coleman and Terry Lockman, West Frankfort.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Trying to get back into the battle for second place, Southern Illinois University's cagers host Eastern Illinois in an Interstate Conference tilt here Thursday (Feb. 14) night.

Long-time rivals, Southern and Eastern are expected to be anything but friendly in their Valentine match.

Southern just missed moving into third place in the IIAC this past week end, losing a hard-fought, 51-47, decision to Central Michigan Saturday (Feb. 9) after socking Eastern Michigan, 76-62, the night before.

Coach Lynn Holder plans to move Marion Rushing, 6-2 junior forward from Pinckneyville, into the starting lineup Thursday. Other regulars slated to start are Seymour Bryson, Quincy, forward; Larry Whitlock, Mt. Vernon, center; and Richard Jones Herrin, and Gordon Lambert, Marion, guards.

Eastern's lineup will feature John Milholland, one of the three greatest scorers in Eastern Illinois' history. Currently averaging 22.9 points-per-game, Milholland, a guard who barely reaches six feet, has a one-hand fade-away jump shot which is extremely hard to guard.

Other probable starters for Eastern are Jerry Hise (6-1) and Lloyd Ludwig (6-3,) forwards; Charles Session (6-4,) center; and Frank Wolf (6-1,) guard.

Eastern is last in the IIAC with a 2-6 mark, but has had tough luck in losing several close ones.

Saturday Southern travels to Northern Illinois for a game with the second-place Huskies. Not highly regarded at the start of the season, Northern is a young club which has developed rapidly. Southern, however, tamed the Huskies, 61-54, in a game last month.

After the two games this week, Southern will close its home season next week end, hosting Illinois Normal Friday (Feb. 22) night and league-leading Western Illinois Saturday (Feb. 23) night. Southern's last scheduled game is at Eastern Illinois March 1.

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Present IIAC standings:

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Western Illinois	6	1	.857
Northern Illinois	5	2	.714
Central Michigan	5	3	.625
Southern Illinois	3	4	.429
Eastern Michigan	3	5	.375
Illinois Normal	2	5	.286
Eastern Illinois	2	6	.250

Game Thursday

Eastern Illinois at Southern.

Games Friday

Central Michigan at Illinois Normal.

Eastern Michigan at Western Illinois.

Games Saturday

Southern Illinois at Northern Illinois

Eastern Michigan at Illinois Normal.

Central Michigan at Western Illinois.

Eastern Illinois at Beloit.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

(Editors: note local names)

CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Opera Workshop students at Southern Illinois University will present productions of two famous one-act operas in Cairo March 5.

Sponsored by the Cairo Historical Society, the 19-member cast under the co-direction of SIU music instructors William Taylor and Donald Murray, will stage Ralph Vaughn Williams' musical version of the classic tragedy, "Riders to The Sea," and Puccini's comic opera, "Gianni Schicchi."

The operatic doubleheader begins at 8 p.m. in Cairo High School Auditorium.

The Cairo performances will mark an area "premiere" for the two works, which are scheduled to be produced in Carbondale April 12 during SIU's Fine Arts Festival.

Virginia Herbert, president of the Cairo Historical Society, said proceeds from the performances will go toward retiring the mortgage on Magnolia Manor, the society's museum. Other local agencies cooperating include the Cairo Business and Professional Women's Club, Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis Club, Rotary Club, Patrons Club of Magnolia Manor, and Beta Sigma Pi sorority.

Murray, a newcomer to the SIU music department faculty, has directed "Riders to the Sea," J.M. Synge's stark tragedy set in modern musical format by Williams. Taylor has directed rehearsals of "Gianni Schicchi." Mrs. Beverly Parsch, lecturer in speech is technical director for both productions. Pianists are Arthur Barnes, lecturer in music, and Kay Sue Eadie, music student from Vandalia.

Tickets, priced at 50 cents, are now on sale at Henckell's Drugs in Cairo or through any member of sponsoring agencies.

Cast members are:
ANNA: Pamela Hindman
BETHLEHEM, PA.: Philip Falcone
CARBONDALE: Kathryn Kimmel, James McGlocklin
CARMI: Fred Bertram
CHESTER: Mary Boettcher
DUQUOIN: Philip Burke Fry
ELDORADO: David Davidson
EVANSTON: William Davis (429 Sherman)
FAIRFIELD: Lewis Donger
HERRIN: Robert Walker
JOHNSTON CITY: Priscilla Metcalf
MURPHYSBORO: Carol Smith, Charles Shaw
PETERSBURG: Donald Bailey
PINCKNEYVILLE: Carole Etta Saunders, Geraldine Snyder
VANDALIA: Nada Jo Binnion, Kay Sue Eadie

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Defending champion Southern Illinois University is again favored to capture the Wheaton wrestling tournament at Wheaton this weekend (Feb. 15-16.)

Last year Southern doubled the score on its nearest opponent in winning the eight-team meet, but this year's competition is expected to be much stiffer.

Strong contenders for the crown are Northern Illinois and the host school, Wheaton Wheaton copped second last year, nosing out Northern Illinois by one point, and both teams are expected to show better all-around strength.

Southern's 11-meet victory string was snapped here last weekend (Feb. 9) as Indiana University downed the Salukis, 19-9, before more than 500 fans.

The meet was actually much closer than the score indicates as Southern lost two matches by only one point. Victories in these bouts would have given SIU a 15-13 edge.

Winning for Southern were Lee Grubbs, Overland, Mo., 137-pound class; John Orlando Overland Mo., 167-pound class; and Ed Hayes, Carbondale, heavyweight division. Grubbs and Hayes won firsts at the Wheaton meet last year while Orlando placed second.

Other probable SIU entries at Wheaton are: Ron Edwards, Florissant, Mo. or Jim Whittenberg, Carbondale, 123-pound class; Roy Fowley, Belleville, 130-pound; John Barger, Kirkwood, Mo. or John Caynak, Racine, Wisc., 147-pound; Herman Ayres, Harvey, 157-pound; captain Robert Dunkel, St. Louis, 177-pound; and Gary Burdick, Omaha (Ill.), 191-pound.

Southern, 7-1 in dual meets last year, is 6-1 this season. Indiana University has been the only team to defeat Southern during the past two years. Southern's victories this season have been over Eastern Illinois, Western Illinois, Illinois Normal, Bradley University, and Great Lakes (2).

The Wheaton tournament opens Friday (Feb. 15,) with the semi-finals and finals slated for Saturday.

SIU closes its dual meet season against Ritenour YMCA here Saturday Feb. 23.

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SIU SPORTS BRIEFS

CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Still seeking its first win of the year, Southern Illinois University's gymnastic team has two road trips this weekend, clashing with Ball State at Muncie, Ind., Friday (Feb. 15) and Indiana University and the University of Wisconsin at Bloomington, Ind., Saturday (Feb. 16.)

The latter meet will be a double dual.

Despite its 0-4 mark, Southern has shown gradual improvement and should be rough in another year or two. Too, the Salukis have been pitted against some rather stiff competition including the nation's number one team--University of Illinois--Western Illinois, Michigan State, and the U. of I. at Chicago.

Probable SIU entries for the two meets:

TRAMPOLINE--Bill Ballester, Kankakee and Roger Counsil, Wood River.

FREE EXERCISE--Kelly Smith, Cisne; Gene Salmon, Grayville; and Jerry Oettle, Hardin.

SIDE HORSE--Julius Johnson, St. Louis; K. Smith; Salmon.

HIGH BAR--Bill Francover, Kankakee; Johnson; Oettle.

PARALLEL BARS--Francover, Salmon, Johnson.

RINGS--Francover; Jim Haas, Pocahontas; Oettle.

TUMBLING--Gregg Dickey, Carmi; Bob Hauser, Cottage Hills; Counsil.

Next Saturday (Feb. 23) Southern travels to Eastern Illinois for a dual meet.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--The Southern Illinois University--Illinois Normal basketball game scheduled for next Friday night (Feb. 22) has been designated "Pinckneyville Night" in honor of all present and past SIU basketball players from that town.

Pinckneyville Coach Merrill (Duster) Thomas and his present team will be special guests along with all former SIU cage players from Pinckneyville.

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Three of the top 10 of this year's SIU squad are from Pinckneyville: juniors Warren Talley and Marion Rushing and sophomore Arlen Hill.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Two Southern Illinois University women's basketball teams will host Principia College in a double-header at a special sports day here next Saturday (Feb. 23.)

In games at Principia earlier this month, the two clubs split.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Two undefeated swimming teams--Southern Illinois University and Missouri School of Mines--will clash here Saturday afternoon (Feb. 16) in what may turn out to be the feature meet of the year.

SIU, currently on a 12-meet win skein, edged out the Miners, 42½-41½ last year. In their only mutual opponent this season, SIU beat Washington University, 44-41, while the Miners edged the same club, 45-40.

Saturday's meet will begin at 2 p.m. at the University School pool.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Three Southern Illinois University faculty members will attend the annual meeting of the American Association of College Teachers Education at Chicago Feb. 14-16.

Attending this special physical education meeting from SIU will be John E. Grinell dean of the College of Education; Roswell D. Merrick, assistant dean of the College of Education; and Edward J. Shea, head of the men's physical education department.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- A summer high school speech workshop in oral interpretation and the reading of dramatic literature has been scheduled at Southern Illinois University from July 8-Aug. 8 during the summer term.

Co-sponsored by SIU's School of Communications, University School, and Division of Extension, the workshop will include a three-week clinic for high school sophomores and juniors, July 8-27, and a credit program for teachers. The first program of its kind in the Midwest, the teachers' workshop features a graduate seminar, June 17-Aug. 8, and an undergraduate speech course, July 1-27, both coordinated with the workshop for high school students. Teachers will study with leading authorities in oral interpretation and speech education.

Tuition scholarships for the three weeks are automatically available to all students who place first or second in any district or sectional speech event.

Applications are now being accepted by Dr. William Buys, director of the workshop, in care of University School.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--David Daiches, prolific writer on modern literature and writers, will speak on "The Lonely Hero" in a University Lectures appearance at Southern Illinois University, Feb. 25.

Daiches will be the second of three distinguished literary scholars to appear in the 1957 University Lectures series at SIU. The general topic,,"The Hero in Eclipse," covers the declining importance of an heroic central figure in modern prose and poetry. Daiches' lecture, free to the public, begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Formal Lounge of Woody Hall.

Daiches, visiting professor of English at Indiana University, is a Cambridge University faculty member familiar to many Americans through writings in the "New Yorker" magazine. His published works include "Critical Approaches to Literature;" "Literature and Society;" "The Novel and the Modern World;" "Poetry and the Modern World" and books on Robert Burns, Robert Louis Stevenson, Virginia Woolf and Willa Caner.

The concluding lecture March 7 will feature Elder Olson, famed University of Chicago professor, speaking on "Modern Poetry and Modern Man."

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Contributions still are coming in for a Hungarian Refugee Scholarship fund at Southern Illinois University as a result of a student talent area radio program broadcast Saturday afternoon (Feb. 9.)

Bill Turner, president of the SIU student chapter of Sigma Beta Gamma, honorary radio fraternity, which arranged the two-hour program carried by five area radio stations as a public service, said that $209.50 in cash pledges and an offer of board and room for a Hungarian refugee student during his enrollment at SIU were received during the broadcast period.

"We wish we could have received more," Turner said, "but we expect to get additional contributions from persons who heard the program. The university estimates it costs a student $1,000 for a year at Southern."

The board and room offer came from the Tau Kappa Epsilon social fraternity at SIU which is making an exception in this instance to its rule that only active members and pledges may live in the fraternity house.

The student program, originating in the SIU library auditorium, was relayed to stations at Anna, Carbondale, Duquoin, Herrin and Murphysboro for broadcast.

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

SIU COUNTRY COLUMN
By Albert Meyer

One of the better milk-producing Holstein cows in the Dairy-Broiler Test Farm dairy herd at Southern Illinois University narrowly escaped surgery a few days ago. Farm operator John Davis reported the cow was "off feed" and feverish. A veterinary tentatively diagnosed the trouble as "hardware disease" resulting from swallowing foreign objects such as nails or pieces of wire.

Fortunately, the cow responded to medical treatment so surgery was not necessary. Since then the cow has returned to normal eating and gives every appearance of recovery.

The incident merits some attention to the subject of hardware disease. It may be fatal, but often the heaviest losses result from the animal's general run-down condition caused by chronic infection that may occur.

Fortunately, the cow's digestive system is so constructed as to cope satisfactorily with many kinds of foreign objects without ill effects. The sharp metal objects are the ones that are dangerous. Farmers continually need to be watchful to keep nails, staples, pieces of wire, or other sharp metal objects from getting in the feed. Run-down, rusty wire fences are a constant source of danger in the pasture.

The cow is a big eater. Whether feeding on hay or grazing on pasture, the animal gulps down big mouthfuls in a hurry without bothering about doing a thorough job of chewing during the feeding period. The real mastication will be done at a more leisurely gait later when the cow rests in the shade of a tree or in the loafing area of the barn and "chews her cud." If contented and healthy, a cow normally spends about eight out of every 24 hours "chewing the cud."

This feeding habit can lead to swallowing various foreign objects--stones, metal, and other things--that happen to get in the way. The saliva-mixed rough feed is stored in the rumen, or paunch, during the feeding period. This organ will hold as much as 300 pounds of material, so it has an important storage function. A cow must consume much roughage for the manufacture of meat and milk.

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Liquids including saliva fill the lower half of the rumen. Its muscular walls churn the partly chewed food around to soak up the fiber thoroughly and break down the coarser pieces into finer material so that it may be regurgitated later for further mastication.

At the forepart of the rumen is a smaller sac known as the reticulum or honeycomb because of the honeycomb-like structure of its lining. This organ serves handily as the "hardware" catcher. It is connected to the cow's esophagus and the rumen by an esophageal groove. The churning action of the rumen often forces foreign objects into the little sac which contains an alkaline fluid but secrets no digestive juices. The reticulum's entire functions are not fully known but it seems to assist in the regurgitation of food from the rumen during "cud chewing" and in re-swallowing the fully-chewed food which moves into the third "stomach," the omasum.

"Hardware" which is not sharp may lie in the reticulum without harm, but the sharp pieces are dangerous. This organ may be only an inch or less from the heart. The pressure of a rumen stuffed with feed may force a sharp piece of metal through the wall of the reticulum. It may penetrate the heart sac and cause death or a condition for which there is no treatment. If the heart sac escapes injury, the metal may cause inflammation or peritonitis, and surgery may be resorted to for removing the foreign material, Unless this is done, peritonitis amy become a more serious infection in various parts of the body. Such foreign matter may cause abscessed lungs or livers. Tests have shown that two percent of the abscessed livers condemned at packing houses show the presence of foreign objects.

Symptoms of hardware disease may vary. More common indications are failure to move around, humping back, continual bloating, or persistent diarrhea.

The best practice is prevention. Watch feeding areas and feeds for sharp metal objects. Keep barnyards and fields free of old wire. Feed manufacturing companies often use strong magnets to remove pieces of metal that may be present.

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(This is the last of a series of three articles explaining Southern Illinois University's budget request for operating expenses during the next two years.)

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Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- Southern Illinois University, which has crept almost unnoticed into the ranks of the nation's leading colleges, is asking the state legislature for enough funds to hold on to gains it has made in the past few years.

Almost overnight, the former college has grown larger than "name" schools like Dartmouth, Duke, Baylor, Colgate, and John Hopkins University, and has outdistanced big state schools like the Universities of Mississippi, Virginia, Wyoming, Maine, and Oregon.

Southern has reported to the state legislature that it needs $25,264,139 for operating expenses during the next two years to preserve its standing in academic circles.

SIU officials note proudly that enrollment growth from 2800 students in 1951 to 6255 this year did not come about by relaxing scholastic standards. On the contrary, requirements have been stiffened, and Southern rates highly with accrediting bodies like the North Central Association and the Association of American Colleges.

On the other hand, the University says, funds available from the state have not been in keeping with Southern's position and the size of its student body. In many respects, students are being shortchanged in their education.

University administrators cite library needs as an example. An old library building used by the University until last year was so small and so cramped that there was no place to put new books. The library collection was spread out over five buildings, including a couple of quonset huts, and it sometimes took days to dig out a book a student needed.

Now that the library has been moved into an efficient, modern building, there is plenty of space but the University is years behind on its program of book acquisition.

In a survey of 12 comparable universities, Southern is last in the size of book collection and current periodicals. The survey showed that the school in this group with the largest library had 650,000 books and the average school had 359,000. With a total of 173,000 volumes, Southern has only one-half as many as the average. (MORE)

Therefore the University has added a $340,000 item for library acquisitions for the next two years as part of the $10,586,713 operating budget increase it is seeking.

Such financial needs are urgently felt in every department at Southern because of the doubling of enrollment in the past four years, coupled with the normal growing pains of a new university.

SIU spokesmen say that Southern's interest in economic and social problems of Southern Illinois make its appropriations needs even more acute. For example, the University started the Vocational-Technical Institute and expanded offerings of the School of Business to train young men and women for well-paying jobs that were going begging in this area. These and other programs of critical importance have proved so applealing that the students have outgrown the teaching facilities.

If its operating budget request is approved, the University hopes to broaden the scope of these practical programs and add a few others. Curricula have been mapped out for the training of petroleum geologists for the oil-rich Illinois basin and for field workers in community development. Four years of study in applied science would also be offered, and the University would add research grants for projects of areawide significance like wildlife management in strip mine areas, rehabilitation training, and utilization of forest resources through wood products.

Some of these plans, proposed by educational consultants and area residents as vital to the development of Southern Illinois' potential, will have to be scrapped, however, unless the University's budget gets a favorable reception by the legislature.

SIU officials say their first considerations will have to be for salary adjustments and new faculty appointments. Immediate reduction in class sizes and teaching loads is necessary so that Southern can retain qualified instructors and keep its educational standards high.

Some $17,574,939 for personal services during the next two years is the chief item of the $25,264,139 request for operating expenses.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

GOLCONDA, ILL., Feb.--Dr. William H. Freeberg, chairman of the Southern Illinois University department of recreation and outdoor education, will discuss community and area recreational potentials here Tuesday evening (Feb. 19) to launch the Pope County Community Development program's county-wide meetings. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Golconda grade school building.

Millard Farmer and Ralph Aly, co-chairman of the Pope County Community Development program, say the meeting will be devoted to appraising the recreational potential of Pope County and to seek Freeberg's assistance in learning what a county-wide recreational program should include.

Tuesday night's meeting will be sponsored by the Pope County Community Development Program Recreation Committee in cooperation with the Golconda-Pope County Parent-Teacher Association.

"Since Dr. Freeberg has spent six months studying major recreation and tourist points in the nation, we are looking forward to hearing his ideas which may be applied to our own attractive and interesting county," Farmer said.

Pope County has been busy with the preliminary aspects of a community development program for the past four months. This has included the election of officers and executive committee members; the appointment of community development committe chairmen, discussion leaders and recorders; and the formation of a council of organizations which includes the presidents of all civic, social, fraternal and religious groups in the county.

During this time, training sessions for executive committee members, committee chairmen, and discussions leaders were conducted by a team of consultants from the Southern Illinois University Department of Community Development.

A special orientation session for school teachers and school board representatives from the county was held recently.

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At the various preliminary meetings, the organizational structure of the county-wide program was decided, the purpose of community development was discussed, leaders for the program were briefed on their special duties, and the goals for the program in Pope County were decided.

The Pope County program is the first completely county-wide organized program being advised by the SIU Community Development Department. The SIU consultant for the program is Frank H. Sehnert who is in his second year on the SIU community development staff.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- Wage policies of the nation's weekly newspapers are inconsistent, according to a recent survey of 1,252 non-daily papers analyzed by Dr. Howard R. Long, chairman of the journalism department at Southern Illinois University.

Long's report, which appeared in the current issue of "National Publisher", official publication of the National Editorial Association, is being distributed to newspapers which participated in the survey by the association's research division, the Weekly Newspaper Bureau.

"A few weekly newspaper editors today enjoy earnings comparable to the topflight working newspapermen in the large cities," Long stated. "For just about the same proportion the weekly wage is in the class of the dollar per hour of the cleaning woman."

Long said the survey provided further evidence that "the weekly newspaper is the most unregimented institution in America."

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Seeking its 15th straight win, Southern Illinois University's swimming squad collides with Loyola University at Chicago Saturday (Feb. 23.)

A victory would give SIU its first undefeated season in history and would boost its dual meet mark to 9-0 for the year.

Southern's coach, Bill Heusner, former Olympic swimmer and college star at Nort western University, believes this week's meet will be one of the best.

Loyola was the last team to defeat Southern, downing the SIU tankmen, 52-32, a year ago this month.

Southern won victories 13 and 14 this past weekend (Feb. 15-16,) polishing off Illinois Normal, 62-24, before disposing of Missouri School of Mines, 68-18.

SIU set two varsity records against Illinois Normal, the 400-yard medley relay team covering the distance in 4:25.9, besting the old record of 4:32.8. The time, which was also a new pool record, was set by Terry Lockman and Bruce Coleman, West Frankfort; John Huber, Hoopeston; and captain Joe Barry, Edwardsville.

The other record was recorded by Bob Campbell, Kankakee, who swam the 200-yard breaststroke in 2:44. Campbell's record, however, lasted only one day as Huber raced the distance in 2:42.7 against Missouri Mines for both a varsity and pool record.

SIU won nine of the ten events at both meets. Barry was a double winner against Missouri Mines, capturing the 220-yard freestyle and the 100-yard freestyle.

In addition to those mentioned, SIU swimmers planning to compete against Loyola Sat urday are Al Cline, Springfield; Tom Harris and Laurence Benjamin, Highland Park; Robert Montgomery and Rex Paddock, Grafton; Dave Burkstaller, Wyatt, Mo.; Vaughn Hathaway and Wib Stoever, Chester; Charles Strattan, Mt. Vernon; Roger Counsil, wood River; Robert Schulhof, Chicago; Larry Havens, Carbondale; and Bill Busch, Jerseyvill

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Release: IMMEDIATE

ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Dairy farmer problems of feeding and caring for calves from their birth to freshening time and feeding dairy cattle for producing good milk economically will be discussed by University of Illinois and Southern Illinois University dairy specialists during the first day of SIU's second annual two-day Dairy workshop February 26 (Tuesday) at Carbondale.

The second day of the Workshop program will be February 28 (Thursday) with program emphasis on dairy sanitation and feeding forages. Sessions will begin each day at 9:45 a.m. and adjourn at 3:30 p.m. in the SIU Cafeteria Annex. Alex Reed, SIU professor of dairy science in charge of arrangements, says persons attending the workshop may bring their lunch or may purchase it at reasonable prices in the University Cafeteria where meetings will be held.

A panel discussion on growing the dairy herd will comprise the morning program of the first day. Participants will be R. A. Kendall and R. E. Brown, dairy science specialists from the University of Illinois, and Howard H. Olson Reed, SIU dairy specialists.

Kendall, a native of Montgomery County, Ill., has been on the U. of I. dairy science department faculty since 1941. His specialty is the physiology and nutrition of the dairy cow. On the Workshop panel he will discuss feeding and caring for the calf from birth to six months of age.

Brown, a member of the U. of I. dairy science faculty since 1954, when he received his doctorate from the University of Maryland, will talk about development of the rumen (paunch) in calves.

Olson, a member of the SIU School of Agriculture faculty since 1954, will give information on feeding and managing heifers from six months of age to freshening time. His speciality is dairy animal reproduction.

Reed will discuss the economics of calf raising. He has been at SIU since 1946 and has made studies of dairy production in Southern Illinois

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The afternoon session will be devoted to questions of dairy cattle feeding. Brown will talk on "Friendly Bacteria for Milk Production," the function of bacteria in feed production and the cow's digestive system.

Kendall will make some practical recommendations on feeding dairy cattle for economical production of milk, giving information on feeding efficiency for higher milk output.

Following a shortened afternoon session the workshop group will tour the new SIU dairy center and dairy-broiler test farm.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

ATTENTION: FARMERS

Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- Problems of dairy sanitation, mastitis control, forage production and utilization will highlight the final day's program for the second annual Southern Illinois University Dairy Workshop February 28 (Thursday). The first day's sessions will be February 26. No sessions will be held February 25.

Workshop sessions will begin at 9:45 a.m. and adjourn at 3:30 p.m. both days in the SIU Cafeteria Annex. Arrangements are under the direction of Howard H. Olson and Alex Reed, SIU dairy specialists.

Headlining the second day's program will be W. E. Petersen, professor of dairy husbandry at the University of Minnesota and internationally known for his teaching, research, and lectures. He will discuss mastitis control during a morning session and will talk on "What's New in Pasture Management" in the afternoon.

Born on a Minnesota dairy farm where he helped milk 32 cows by hand morning and evening as a boy, Petersen has been an inspiring teacher of college students for 35 years. He has been on the University of Minnesota faculty since 1921; is the author of "Dairy Science", a standard college textbook, and co-author of a half-dozen other textbooks in agriculture; has produced two motion pictures dealing with the science of milk secretion; has been participating in weekly radio programs on dairy topics for more than 13 years; and has long carried on and directed research on "protective milk" which received widespread attention last year. He has talked to dairy and scientific groups around the worldand has received many honors from dairy industry groups.

Also during the morning session W. O. Nelson, University of Illinois dairy bacteriologist since 1946, will discuss sanitary milking and milk handling practices important in production for the Grade A market today.

Three area dairymen and two SIU agronomists will comprise a panel which will discuss forage production and utilization at the closing workshop session. Frank Jacquot, DeSoto, will tell about his rotational pasturing program. Silage making and feeding for dairy cattle will be discussed by Milo Thurston, Pulaski dairy farmer. Richard Winters, Pinckneyville dairy farmer, will recount his program of field chopping green forage crops from pasture and meadow and hauling them for lot-feeding to his dairy herd.

On the panel also will be Joseph P. Vavra, SIU soils specialist, who will provide recommendations on fertilization in pasture management. Herbert L. Portz, SIU crops specialist, will discuss desirable pasture crops.

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(Circumstances succeeded in preventing the mailing of this story sooner. We hope you carried the wire story. This is being sent now because some papers can still use it while others may pick out a local name or two.)

CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb. -- Eighteen charter members have been initiated into a new undergraduate chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalism fraternity, at Southern Illinois University.

Hal Boyle of New York, Associated Press columnist, spoke at the chapter's installation dinner Thursday (Feb. 14). Other speakers included Irving Dilliard, editor of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch editorial page; Edward Lindsay, editor of the Lindsay-Schaub newspapers; and Victor E. Bluedorn, executive director of the fraternity.

Chapter officers are Eugene Cryer, Bourbonnais, president; Jack Thatcher, Flora, vice-president; Gerald Rombach, Carbondale, secretary; and Bill Epperheimer, Harrisburg, treasurer.

Other members are Don Hargus and Donald Hecke, Carbondale; Jack Barban, East Alton; William Markle, East St. Louis (1710 Belmont); Leo Meyer, East St. Louis (5608 W. Moreland); Harold Castleton, Elkville; George Bliss, Hillsboro; Henry Surowski, Mt. Vernon; Gary Heape, Vergennes; Charles Serati, Herrin; Bob Scranton, Nebo; Tony File, Chester; Wayne Raguse, Kankakee (905 N. Schuyler); and Warren Talley, Pinckneyville.

Charles C. Clayton, SIU visiting professor of journalism and a past national president of Sigma Delta Chi, is chapter adviser.

Also on Thursday, the Southern Illinois professional chapter of the fraternity elected officers.

Tom Lee, Marrissa Messenger, is president; Kenneth Mollman, Millstadt Enterprise, first vice-president; Robert Evans, McLeansboro Times-Leader, second vice-president; Howard R. Long, chairman of the SIU journalism department, secretary-treasurer; and Juel Mosley, Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau, Mo., director.

The chapter passed a resolution urging the Illinois Legislature to adopt two "freedom of information" bills. One provides for public inspection of state and local government records and the other prohibits secret meetings of state and local government bodies.

Initiated into the professional chapter were Thomas A. Bliss, Montgomery News, Hillsboro; John Mulkin, Metropolis News; William Brooks, Mt. Sterling Democrat-Message; John Sheley, Pinckneyville Democrat; Kenneth Trigg, Eldorado Journal; Thomas R. Cole, Centralia Sentinel; Herbert Gerdemann, Chester Herald-Tribune; J. Peter Mollman, Millstadt Enterprise; George Brown, SIU assistant professor of journalism; Russell Hoffman, Highland News Leader; and Paul McRoy, Radio Station WCIL, Carbondale.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Radiocarbon tests have shown that excavations made by the Southern Illinois University Museum in Mexico last summer uncovered a culture prevalent somewhere around 800 A. D.

The diggings were made at the Schroeder site near Durango, Mexico, by a group of SIU faculty and students.

Dr. James B. Griffin, director of the University of Michigan Museum of Anthropology, reported at a conference of anthropologists from Illinois and surrounding states here last week end that tests dated the SIU findings at 200 years before or after 806 A. D.

Griffin discussed recent radiocarbon dates of Meso-American cultures (The high level cultures of Central America and Mexico) at the conference Saturday and Sunday.

J. Charles Kelley, SIU Museum director, says Griffin's report confirms the SIU excavators' estimate of the cultural period uncovered at the Schroeder site last summer. It represents an intermediate period between lower levels of earlier habitation and the later period represented by a pyramid which was partly excavated.

Present for the SIU working conference were anthropologists and archaeologists from the Chicago Natural History Museum, Beloit (Wisc.) College, the State University of Iowa, University of Michigan, Indiana University, the University of Wisconsin, the University of Illinois, and the University of Chicago. Sponsored by the SIU Museum, the conference was concerned with studying the work of SIU in Durango, and the relationship of cultures there to the Meso-American and Southwestern United States cultures.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., FEB. -- A campus agency designed to help solve labor problems is one of three new institutes authorized for Southern Illinois University.

The SIU board of trustees approved proposed plans for a Labor Institute, a Latin American Institute, and a Rehabilitation Institute at a meeting Tuesday (Feb. 19).

The Labor Institute will offer a consulting service on labor and industrial relations, conduct research and special surveys of interest to unions and to management, and provide special courses for industrial personnel and labor groups. It also will map study programs for students seeking careers in this field.

Exchange of students between the United States and Latin America will be one of the aims of the Latin American Institute. It will offer courses through existing University departments which would allow students to major in this field, and the Institute would direct special conferences and programs aimed at better understanding of Latin American countries. Information on employment opportunities in Latin America will be collected and similar information will be made available to Latin Americans who wish to remain in this country.

The Rehabilitation Institute will have among its functions the improvement of training for college students and field workers serving the handicapped. This Institute would work closely with community agencies and undertake theoretical and practical research bearing on the methods and techniques used in rehabilitating the handicapped.

In the past several years, the SIU board of trustees also has created a Small Business Institute and a Community Development Institute. Like these, the new institutes will draw upon existing University departments for instruction, research and educational services. Each is headed by a director, but other staff associates are present faculty members in fields of related interest.

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CARBONDALE,ILL., Feb.-- More than 250 photographic entries, representing the work of 41 persons, have been submitted for the seventh annual Kappa Alpha Mu Photo Fair at Southern Illinois University, according to Robert McMurtrie, president of the KAM chapter at SIU.

The exhibit and program will open at 1:30 p.m. Sunday (Feb.24) in the SIU library. The photographic exhibit panels will be mounted in the first floor foyer and the afternoon program will be held in the library auditorium.

Headlining the program will be Thomas Abercrombie, National Geographic Magazine photographer, who will discuss the value of the 35 millimeter camera for newspaper photographers.

Others on the program will be Robert Spence, who will give an illustrated lecture on taking flash pictures, and Arthur Brown, who will give a demonstration of color printing. Both are photographic supply manufacturers' representatives from St. Louis.

Awards winners in the photographic and newspaper photojournalism competition will be announced during the afternoon program.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Still seeking its first win, Southern Illinois University's gymnastic team meets Eastern Illinois at Charleston Saturday (Feb. 23.)

Both teams are in the building stage this year, the two clubs emphasizing exhibitions rather than collegiate competition last season.

Despite its unimpressive 0-7 record, Southern is continuing to improve in individual performances.

Southern dropped three meets last week-end, losing to Indiana University, 82-26, and to the University of Wisconsin, 75-30, in a double dual meet at Bloomington, Ind., after falling to Ball State, 71-41, the day before.

Jerry Oettle, Hardin, scored a first for Southern in the flying rings in the meet against Indiana, while Bill Ballester, Kankakee, placed first in the trampoline in the Wisconsin clash.

Roger Counsil, Wood River, was a double winner in the trampoline and tumbling in the Ball State meet.

Probable SIU contestants in this Saturday's meet: Free Exercise--Kelly Smith, Cisne; Gene Salmon, Grayville; and Oettle. Trampoline--Ballester. Side Horse--Julius Johnson, St. Louis; K. Smith; Salmon. High Bar--Bill Francoeur, Kankakee; Johnson; Oettle.

Parallel Bars--Salmon; Johnson. Flying Rings--Francoeur; Jim Haas, Pochantas; Oettle. Tumbling--Salmon; Bob Hauser, Cottage Hills; and Gregg Dickey, Carmi.

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CARMI, ILL., Feb.--Southern Illinois University gymnastic team members served as honorary pall bearers at the funeral of their teammate, Gary Danner, 19, here Wednesday (Feb. 20.)

Danner, a freshman and one of Southern's best gymnastic prospects, was fatally injured in a car accident near Carmi Sunday (Feb. 17.) He had competed against Indiana University and the University of Wisconsin the day before.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Danner of Carmi.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., FEB. -- A study tour of nine Western European nations will comprise the 1957 Southern Illinois University field course in geography, according to Floyd F. Cunningham, chairman of the SIU Department of Geography.

The 47-day trip, leaving from Montreal, Canada, June 12, will cost each participant approximately $1385, including tuition. The group will cross the Atlantic on the new Canadian Pacific steamship, the S.S. Empress of Britian.

Cunningham says this seventh annual SIU geography field course is being arranged in cooperation with the National Education Association. Early enrollment is desirable. The course is open to college juniors, seniors, and graduate students who have had the equivalent of an introductory course in geography. Those who satisfactorily complete the course will receive 12 quarter hours of college credit.

The trip will emphasize urban geography, transportation and marketing, port and harbor developments, and scenic and recreational resources in the countries visited. Frank Stern, SIU geography lecturer who has had experience conducting field courses in Europe, will be in charge of the group.

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS.

SIU COUNTRY COLUMN
By Albert Meyer

Lengthening hours of daylight and growing frequency of warm days herald the approach of spring. Southern Illinois farmers who have fields of wheat may catch the hint of spring in an awakening of the wheat plants as they take on a fresher green color and begin to grow again.

Dr. Joseph P. Vavra, a soils specialist at Southern Illinois University, says that when this renewal of growth starts in the spring, the farmer ought to add nitrogen fertilizer as a top dressing on the wheat field to increase the crop yield.

He says that test results show such applications are a profitable investment, returning about two dollars in increased wheat yield for each dollar's worth of fertilizer applied. It requires 60 pounds of nitrogen, along with other plant foods, to produce 40 bushels of wheat per acre. It is assumed that about one-half of this requirement is released naturally in the average soil of Southern Illinois farm land. That means that the farmer ought to put on about 30 pounds of nitrogen per acre to get a full yield of wheat. This is equivalent to 150 pounds of sulfate of ammonia or 90 pounds of ammonium nitrate. Tests by Vavra have shown that this increases the yield about five bushels per acre.

Spring top dressing of wheat ought to take place by the first week of March, if possible, in order that the grain plants may have a vigorous growth boost. The fertilizer should be spread over the surface with a broadcast fertilizer applicator when the wheat leaves are dry so that the fertilizer particles will roll off the plants onto the soil without damage to leaves.

One problem in spring top dressing of wheat is muddy fields. When fields have been rain soaked or only recently thawed, they are likely to be too soft for satisfactorily using a tractor and fertilizer spreader.

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Therefore, it is a good idea to arrange farming activities so that the application can be made at the earliest time the fields are solid enough to keep the equipment from forming ruts.

Vavra points out that wheat growers in the claypan soil area of Southern Illinois may avoid this spring top dressing chore by applying the nitrogen at seeding time. Tests at SIU have shown that on soils leaving a tight layer of clay below the surface there is an insignificant difference in yields between wheat that had the nitrogen applied in the fall and that which was top dressed in the spring. This is explained by the fact that the claypan soil has slow moisture permeability and, therefore, nitrogen is not significantly leached away during the winter. This does not hold true for deep, loose soils.

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Hay and pasture crops, particularly those including legumes, may get a production boost by top dressing with fertilizers. However, this application is usually recommended for a later date after the first grazing or after the first crop has been harvested in late spring.

Nitrogen is not required in the fertilizer for legume mixtures, but phosphate and potash are needed to maintain a good forage stand. Alfalfa stands on average Southern Illinois soils that are low in organic matter and inherently low in potash may be profitably maintained by top dressing with at least 100 pounds of muriate of potash after the first cutting of hay.

Alfalfa-grass stands in pastures or meadows ought to be top dressed with 200 pounds of an 0-20-20 fertilizer after the first crop has been harvested.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--A selection honoring the memory of Mrs. Julian Emlen, Herrin violinist who died in January, and a concluding musical tribute to Hungarian revolutionists will highlight Southern Illinois Symphony Orchestra at DuQuoin Monday and Tuesday (Feb. 25-26.) in Carbondale

Guest soloist will be Miss Audrey Paul, a Chicago contralto. Dr. Henry Bruinsma, chairman of the SIU Music Department, will conduct in the absence of Dr. Maurits Kesnar, who is ill.

The DuQuoin program will begin at 7:30 p.m. in DuQuoin Township High School auditorium. The Tuesday concert, beginning at 8:15 p.m. will be held in Shryock Auditorium on the Southern Illinois University campus.

Henry Cowell's "Hymn and Fuguing Tune," a favorite of the late Mrs. Emlen, an orchestra member, will be played in the second half of the program, along with Berlioz' "Rakoczy March," an opera fragment based on the Hungarian National Anthem.

Miss Paul will sing the aria, "O mio Fernando," from the Donizetti opera, "La Favorita," and "Pres des ramparts de Seville," from Bizet's "Carmen."

The program also will include the overture to "Semiramide," by Rossini; "Caucasian Sketches," by Ippolitow-Iwanow, and Strauss' popular "Emperor Waltz."

Admission to both concerts is 50 cents. The Carbondale appearance is sponsored by the Carbondale Business and Professional Women's Club.

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BOYS FORAGING IN THE WOODS

By John W. Allen
Southern Illinois University

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Things were different then. The candy vending machine was not to come for many years and the grocery store often was miles away. It generally would have been of little help had either or both of them been present, for nickles were very scarce. One thing, however, was as common then as now, the ever-present "sweet tooth" of boys and their tendency to satisfy it. One source that provided for this craving was the maple trees, the hard or sugar kind. Such trees then were common in the plentiful woodland, often being found in extensive groves.

To benefit from these trees it was necessary to "tap" them. In this section that could be done at any time after winter had come and weather conditions were right. It was not necessary here to wait for the end of a long and continuous winter as it was in more northern sections.

Tapping could be done at any time after winter came and weather conditions were right. It was only necessary to have nights cold enough to freeze slightly and mornings warm enough to thaw. At any such time throughout the winter and spring months sap would flow freely, in the trees, that is, if the wind did not blow too much from the south and east to "dry them up." (Don't ask why wind from one direction was any worse than that from another.)

When the time and season were right, it was a common sight to see a boy or group of boys often undersized --and carrying an oversized chopping ax, on their way to a place where sugar maples were to be found.

These trees were tapped on the level where boys could operate most effectively. The bottom of the notch being cut was intended to be level across the tree. From there the notch was sloped downward and inward to provide a basin, particularly the bottom part of it, to catch and hold the flowing sap.

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The chopping of this notch was done in a reasonably careful manner, using the heel and point of the ax to full advantage. A few misdirected strokes there could destroy the effectiveness of the notch to hold sap. The upper portion of the cutting did not matter so much.

Another rule was that the notch should not be chopped so deeply that it extended into the heart wood. Just what the bad effects were is not remembered, but care was taken to avoid it. Many of the notches were large enough to hold a half pint of sap, and an occasional surviving specimen of a sugar maple is still found showing the scars made by tapping it a generation or more ago.

Boys soon learned that those trees with darker bark yielded the sweeter sap. The writer remembers a large scarred tree with an almost black bark that stood on the bank of Wilson's Branch and was the last tree left of a large grove where a sugar camp once operated.

To drink the accumulated sap from these notches a boy carried the hollowed stem of some plant. A section of pipe-stem cane was the best of all and was standard equipment in the pocket of many a boy.

Tapping maple trees served several purposes. It furnished a good outlet for the energies of boys and taught them to find and skilfully tap the better trees. Above all it demonstrated the enormous capacity of a boy to absorb the delightfully flavored maple sap. There was little likelihood of taking excess sugar since the sweeter sap contained only about five percent of sugar.

Another springtime diversion of boys wandering through the woods was the pulling and roasting of sweet-roots. This practice was less common, however, than the tapping of maples, perhaps because it might require more effort. Sweet-roots were those of young hickory sprouts up to about two feet tall but often having a taproot perhaps three feet or more long.

To indulge in this practice the would-be forager would equip himself with a section of small pole about his own length. Knots and rough places were smoothed off and one end was sharpened to a smooth wedge.

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Having selected the sprout he wished to pull, the wedge end of the pole was thrust forcibly down on different sides of the taproot to sever any side branches and thus make pulling easier. If there was difficulty in pulling, the section of pole was laid beside the sprout which was then wrapped about it and tied or held in place by hand. Using the pole as a lever, pulling was made much easier. This pulling process was repeated until the desired number of roots had been collected. Naturally this practice was most successful in spring when the ground was thoroughly water logged.

The roots gathered were roasted in a fire, perhaps one that the boys had kindled, or were taken home to be roasted in the hot ashes of the wood-burning stove or at the fireplace. After roasting the bark was peeled and the roots were chewed. They were surprisingly tender, juicy and sweet.

Different seasons provided the prowling boys with other provender. They could have persimmons, pawpaws, wild goose plums, inedible crabapples, black haws, red haws, berries of assorted kinds and many varieties of nuts. Oldsters who sample the same "delicacies" now insist that the flavor is not what it once was. Perhaps the boyish appetite is gone.

In the interests of conservation, indiscriminate tapping of maples or pulling of sweet roots is not recommended, today.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Southern Illinois University's educational program for its more than 90 handicapped students has been commended by Hobart Rickert, chief of guidance training and placement for the Illinois Division of Vocational Rehabilitation.

During a two-day Rehabilitation Counselor-Client Conference (Feb. 20-21,) Hobart and six regional DVR counselors met with handicapped students and University officials to evaluate the program, according to Dr. Jack W. Graham, co-ordinator of the Student Counseling and Testing Center.

"Main objective of the meeting was improved communication between the University and the counselors," Graham said. "Many points were clarified in helping these special students adjust to college life."

Areas discussed included housing, registration, advisement, placement, and part-time employment.

The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation is a joint state-federal agency which sponsors training for handicapped students.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Five new officers and a finance committee chairman will be elected for the Southern Division, Illinois Education Association, at a representative assembly at 7 p.m. Monday (March 4) in University School Auditorium at Southern Illinois University.

More than 100 delegates from the division's 14 southernmost Illinois counties are expected to attend the meeting, which will include reports from legislative, finance, and public relations committees. Presiding will be the retiring president, Raymond L. Foster, SIU lecturer in chemistry.

Offices to be filled are president, two vice-presidents, secretary, and treasurer

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ELDORADO, ILL., Feb.--Hard-working townspeople of this "Operation Bootstrap" town sifted through the ashes today of a dream that went up in smoke.

In the ruins of the Eldorado Art Center were countless hours of labor and thousands of dollars worth of equipment which had been borrowed or painstakingly constructed by volunteers who had never seen a potter's wheel or an artist's easel until a little over a year ago.

Only the pottery kiln and a smokestack survived the blaze. The 5,000 square foot building and its contents were reduced to charred embers.

"That place meant a lot to me," said H. G. "Boots" Pack, a hardened coal miner who suffered a crippling injury in a mine accident some time ago. "I spent about 25 hours a week here mixing clay and glazes. You can't imagine the suspense waiting to see how the pottery would look when it came out of the kiln."

At a meeting following the blaze, Pack was named chairman of an Eldorado Art Center Disaster Fund when townspeople showed dogged determination to reconstruct the Center "better than ever."

"We've gone too far with this to stop now," said Mrs. Serma Jones, a welder's wife who taught painting at the Center. Mrs. Jones lost a Hi-Fi set, $100 worth of records, 10 of her own paintings and other personal belongings in the fire.

"We were just on the verge of making this pay off," commented John Work, an oil company employe who devoted virtually all of his leisure time to the Center. He collected motors for the potter's wheels--taking one off an old washing machine--reconditioned them and was winding up work on a 10th wheel for the Center when the blaze struck.

By "paying off" Work referred to operation of a commercial pottery here which, it was hoped, would take up some of the slack in unemployment. Coal mines which formerly supported the community have been shut down.

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"We didn't expect to discover great artists," Mrs. Jones said tearfully. "But this was a wonderful thing to give people confidence in themselves and to provide useful skills for the aged, the handicapped and the unemployed."

The Art Center idea was conceived about a year and a half ago, growing out of a community development program being conducted here with the help of Southern Illinois University. Arch Baker, a local furniture dealer, donated his warehouse building rent free. Natural gas to fire the kiln was piped in free from the oil fields. Door-to-door canvassing netted furniture and pieces of equipment, and local painters, electricians and others contributed their labor until the Center's inventory reached the neighborhood of $20,000.

"We don't know where we're going to get the money to start an Art Center from the ground up again, but we're going to try," said "Boots" Pack.

Arch Baker, who also lost some merchandise when his building burned, made the reconstruction job easier by donating to the Center the six city lots on which the building stood. Volunteer workmen immediately began clearing away debris and another committee worked to arrange temporary quarters for art classes.

Eugene Bunker, SIU artist who designed the Center's facilities, was asked to provide plans for a new building, possibly a geodesic dome structure such as one recently put up on the University campus at low cost.

"The fire was a real blow, but we're going to have to do that work all over again to show everybody the kind of community spirit Eldorado has," said Grace Karnes, editor of the Eldorado Examiner.

"I'm ready to get started," added Mrs. Jean Armstrong, "The sooner the better."

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Southern Illinois University's top-notch stage talent will be featured Friday and Saturday (March 1-2) in Theta Xi fraternity's tenth annual Variety Show.

Twenty group and individual acts are scheduled for the all-student extravaganza which tradiditonally has been a social highlight of the SIU winter quarter.

Friday's performance will begin at 7 p.m. and Saturday's at 7:30 p.m. in Shryock Auditorium, according to Benjamin Novotny, Chicago (2339 S. Kenneth,) and Edmund Langen, Morrisonville, program co-chairmen.

On Friday night, SIU President Delyte W. Morris will announce this year's two "Service to Southern" award winners. Wrist watches will be presented to the upperclass man and woman who contributed most to the University in extra-curricular activities. Pen sets will be awarded to four runnersup. Five faculty members will make the selections.

A giant traveling trophy, four and a half feet tall, will be awarded for the best group act of the show. Two smaller trophies will be presented to groups placing second and third. First and second place winners in individual acts also will receive trophies. Awards will be presented Saturday night by Jim Butler, St. Louis Radio Station KMOX disc jockey, who will be master of ceremonies.

A panel of Carbondale citizens not employed on the campus will judge the acts. Pi Kappa Sigma sorority was last year's group act winner and Martha Cralley won first in individual competition.

General admission will be 50 cents, and reserved seats are 25 cents extra. Proceeds will go into a fund for all-campus service projects.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Upset wins over powerful Illinois Normal and league-leading Western Illinois have put the Southern Illinois University cagers back into the race for second place in the Interstate Conference.

Four teams--Northern Illinois, Central Michigan, Illinois Normal, and SIU--all have a chance to tie for second as league play ends this week-end (March 1-2.)

Southern closes its season Friday (March 1) night with a league tilt at Eastern Illinois. A win for Southern would push the Salukis into a tie for second if Northern Illinois loses twice this week-end and if Eastern Michigan trips Central Michigan Thursday (Feb. 28) night.

A victory would also put the Salukis into a good position for a post-season tournament bid.

Southern maintained its long home jinx over Western Illinois here Saturday (Feb. 23) by downing the Leathernecks, 88-83, in a double-overtime thriller before a packed crowd.

Even in losing, Western Illinois (now 19-2 in season play) cinched its third straight basketball title as Central Michigan breezed past second-place Northern Illinois, 73-52. It was the third straight year that Southern has beat Western on the SIU court. Only one other league team--Illinois Normal--has beaten Western during that time.

SIU bowled over Illinois Normal here last Friday night, 101-90, as the Salukis ran up their highest point total in two years and their third highest point total in history. It was "Pinckneyville Night" with all former SIU players from Pinckneyville special guests for the occasion. Pinckneyville Coach Merrill (Duster) Thomas was made an honorary SIU letterwinner in half-time ceremonies.

Seymour Bryson, sophomore from Quincy, led the scoring attack both nights, hitting for 31 against Illinois Normal and 24 in the Western Illinois tilt. Bryson set a new SIU rebound record against Normal, grabbing 22 to top the old record of 21 held by Gus Doss.

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Warren Talley, Pinckneyville, made six points in the second overtime Saturday to pace Southern to the win. He scored 23 points--one more than he recorded against Normal the night before.

Larry Whitlock, 6-5 center from Mt. Vernon, hit for 21 points in both games.

Southern's only two seniors, Gordon Lambert, Marion, and Robert Welch, Centralia, playing their final home games, were key performers in the twin upsets. Playing with two injured fingers, Lambert came through with 10 points against Western Illinois, while Welch, who played less than half the game, scored six. Both played a good game on the boards.

Present IIAC standings:

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Western Illinois	9	2	.818
Northern Illinois	6	4	.600
Central Michigan	6	5	.545
Southern Illinois	5	6	.455
Illinois Normal	4	6	.400
Eastern Michigan	4	7	.364
Eastern Illinois	3	7	.300

IIAC Games This Week

Thursday Feb. 28

Central Michigan at Eastern Michigan.

Friday, March 1

Southern Illinois at Eastern Illinois.

Northern Illinois at Illinois Normal.

Saturday March 2

Northern Illinois at Western Illinois.

Eastern Illinois at Illinois Normal.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--A vice president of the Textile Workers Union of America and four Southern Illinois labor officials will discuss "Grievance Procedure" in the second of a series of Labor Forum meetings on the Southern Illinois University campus Thursday (Feb. 28.)

Sponsored by the Southern Illinois Labor Relations Council, the meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the University School Little Theater. Open discussion will follow the panel event.

Serving on the panel will be William J. Tullar, Chicago, midwest director and vice president of the Textile Workers; Ralph Cooksey, Johnston City, secretary of the Southern District Council, Hodcarriers; Earl Hood, Murphysboro, business representative of local 160, Plumbers and Pipefitters; J. O. Jones, West Frankfort, business manager, local 702, Electrical Workers, and John Margando, Herrin, international business representative of the International Association of Machinists.

The monthly meetings, started in January, are open to all labor union members. At the end of the series in April, participants who have registered and attended at least three meetings will receive certificates.

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Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- "Children's Paintings," a Smithsonian Institution exhibition drawn from the work of art-minded youngsters all over the world, will be on display in Southern Illinois University's Allyn Gallery March 9-22.

Sponsored jointly by the Danish Embassy and the "Friendship Among Children and Youth" organization, the exhibition of 100 paintings represents school children from 45 countries. The show is the result of an international competition for the best illustrations of Hans Christian Anderson's fairy tales.

Hundreds of thousands of children competed in the show, illustrating such favorite stories as "The Staunch Tin Soldier," The Tinder Box," "The Ugly Duckling," "The Chinese Nightingale," and "The Little Mermaid."

Aline Louchheim, New York Times art critic, called it "a delightful show--alive and direct, endearing and entertaining."

The exhibition will be open to the public during school hours.

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Carbondale, Ill., Feb. -- Southern Illinois University Air Force ROTC riflemen will try for a third consecutive Grand Championship in the Camp Perry Midwestern Rifle Tournament at Booneville, Mo., Friday and Saturday (March 1-2).

The SIU shooters, coached by Sgt. William Stellings, have captured the big trophy in the past two meets held on the Kemper Military Academy range, defeating the outstanding teams in the Midwest.

In their only other shoulder-to-shoulder competition of the season, Southern's gunners finished eighth out of 31 teams in the annual University of Illinois Invitational Tournament Feb. 23. The Michigan College of Mining and Technology, with a 1,410 aggregate out of a possible score of 1,500, finished first for the third straight year. The University of Illinois varsity, with 1,402, placed second. Southern's score was 1,354.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Mar.--Southern Illinois printers and editors will have opportunity to consult Edmund C. Arnold, one of the nation's leading exponents of modern newspaper makeup, at Southern Illinois University's Second Annual Typographic Workshop March 16, (Saturday) in the Life Science Auditorium here.

Editor of Linotype News in Brooklyn, N. Y., Arnold has had extensive weekly and daily newspaper experience. He is co-publisher of the Frankenmuth, Mich., News, which last year won first place for typography in National Editorial Association competition. A journalism graduate of Michigan State University, Arnold is author of a new book, "Functional Newspaper Design."

Beginning with a 9:30 a.m. session on page makeup, the workshop will include a luncheon, an afternoon session on selection and use of headline and body types, a dinner, and in the evening, individual consultation.

Editors who wish to have their publications analyzed during the workshop should submit in advance at least two issues to Francis D. Modlin, SIU assistant professor of journalism and workshop chairman.

Workshop fee, including the cost of both meals, is $5. Reservations are due by March 8.

Members of Modlin's workshop committee are: Robert R. Bliss, Montgomery News, Hillsboro; Robert L. Kern, Belleville News-Democrat; Arthur D. Jenkins, Mascoutah Publishing Company; Robert Evans, McLeansboro Times-Leader; Kenneth J. Mollman, Millstadt Enterprise; Curtis C. Small, Harrisburg Daily Register; Edward Knowles, Elkville Journal; Charles H. Cox, Altamont News; George C. Brown and Donald G. Hileman, SIU Journalism Department staff.

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CARBONDALE,ILL.,Feb.-- Southern Illinois University's Department of Nursing will offer three courses for graduate nurses this spring according to Miss Virginia Harrison, chairman. Each course will allow four quarter hours of college credit.

"Inter-personal Relationship in Nursing," an extension course, will be taught on Tuesday nights, beginning March 12, at Miner's Hospital in West Frankfort. Miss Twila Hoffman, SIU assistant professor of nursing, will conduct the 6:30 to 9 p.m. classes for 16 weeks. Course fee is $13.05.

A course in general nursing will be taught on Thursday nights, beginning March 28, on the University campus. Classes will be conducted from 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Room 101, Main Building, by Mrs. Hazel LeFevre, nursing instructor. Four additional class meetings will be arranged.

Miss Harrison will teach the third course, "Introduction to Administration in Nursing Services", on Wednesdays and Fridays in Room 101, Main Building. First of the two-hour sessions, beginning at 9 a.m.,will be March 27.

Fee for the on-campus courses in $15.50.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Feb.--Encouraged over State Department reception of their previous ideas about the nation's stake in underdeveloped areas of the world, a second "grass roots opinion" study group of area citizens will get together here in April to tackle the topic, "Our Moral and Spiritual Resources for International Cooperation.

Set up last fall by Southern Illinois University at the request of the State Department and the National Commission for UNESCO, the 25-man work group debated national policy in five weekly meetings. A summary of their recommendations--chief of which was establishment of a system of U.S.-sponsored universities in underdeveloped countries--was praised by the State Department and Sen. Paul Douglas of Illinois.

Dr. Frank Klingberg, SIU professor of government who is chairman of the project, said the second series of meetings will begin April 8. The membership of the new study group will be established in March. Three other topics will be covered within the next year.

The program, in which SIU is one of 20 participating institutions, is aimed at providing government policymakers with an accurate view of informed public opinion.

Steering committee members for the second series will be Klingberg, Dr. Clifford Neal, Carbondale; E. R. Tomlinson, Murphysboro, and Ross Jean Fligor, SIU associate professor of education.

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Number 192 in a weekly series--"It Happened in Southern Illinois"--a series consisting of regional folklore and historical accounts suitable for feature, column or editorial use.

LEWIS AND CLARK LEFT WOOD RIVER

John W. Allen
Southern Illinois University

Many places alongside Illinois highways tell interesting stories to those who pause to question. Most of these sites are unnoted; markers indicate others.

Occasionally a "HISTORICAL MARKER AHEAD" sign will enable the motorist to see the thin edge of a metal marker somewhere ahead (right or left?) in time to detach himself from the stream of traffic in which he often is being swept along. Then he may park on a narrow turn-out beside the marker. Too often, however, he is unable to do this without inviting an accident and can only say, "There it was," as he drives on wondering.

One marked historical site passed by thousands each day is located on the west side of Highway 67A toward the south edge of Wood River in Madison county. This marker was placed there by the Illinois State Historical Society to indicate the locality where Captain Meriwether Lewis, private secretary to President Jefferson and William Clark, younger brother of George Rogers Clark, gathered, organized, trained and equipped their very select company of 43 unmarried men for a long journey to the Pacific and return. Known as the Lewis and Clark expedition, it still remains the most significant exploring mission ever sent out by the United States.

Even before the Louisiana Purchase had been completed, Jefferson had formed plans and funds had been allocated for sending a select group of 12 men west and north along the Missouri valley to explore the possibilities for trade in that region. With the purchase of the territory completed, the president's earlier plans were expanded to the Pacific. After all, Louisiana Territory had been purchased practically sight unseen. Now it was time to know more fully what was in the new lands that had doubled the nation's area.

The expedition being recruited at the mouth of Wood River was to become a memorable and significant one. (more)

It was to pass through extensive territories for which there were meager written records and little of oral accounts. It was to reveal much of the richness of an area that was later to make up 15 states of the union.

This expedition was to gather information concerning unknown rivers, mountains and mountain passes, of wide expanses of prairie and forest, and of strange plant and animal life. Hitherto unknown Indian tribes were to be encountered. It was to mark the beginning of one of the most romantic chapters of American history, one to which additions are yet being made as more of the records left by those making the trip are discovered.

Also this expedition was to furnish one of the most noted American legendary women, the little Shoshone squaw, Sacagawea (also spelled Sacajawea) or "Bird Woman." She was the wife of Toussaint Charbonneau, a French-Canadian who joined the expedition as interpreter while it was encamped at Fort Mandan during the winter of 1804-1805.

Sacagawea soon became one of the expedition's most important members. Without the help that this wise and diplomatic Indian woman gave and the help that she was able to obtain from other Indians, the mission could not have succeeded. It was she, then 18 years and with her first papoose strapped on her back, who guided the party through the unexplored mountain passes toward the lands on the western slopes where she had spent her childhood and where her relatives lived. Recognition of her services is partially indicated by the fact that more memorials have been erected to her memory than to any other woman in American history.

The first winter after leaving the Wood River camp was spent at a Mandan Indian village just west of Bismark, North Dakota. The second winter was at Fort Clatsap, near Astoria and within sound of the Pacific. No ship came to the mouth of the Columbia for them as had been planned, and it was necessary to make the return trip overland. This they did, reaching St. Louis September 23, 1806, almost two and one-half years after setting out from their Wood River camp. It must have been with mingled feeling that they passed the site of their starting point on that September day.

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Only two of the men starting on the long journey to the Pacific did not return with the group. One of these was Sergeant Floyd, who died and was buried on a hilltop near Sioux City, Iowa, where a shaft now marks his grave. The other was John Coulter, who, on the return trip, asked for and received a discharge near the headwaters of the Missouri, wishing to trap, hunt and explore. It was Coulter who first reported the geysers of the Yellowstone. All this indicates only a small part of the story that grew out of the Lewis and Clark expedition.

Today the forest that then stood across Highway 67A at their Illinois camp is gone. Another forest of spreading oil tanks, chimneys and wierd structures of cracking plants has replaced the original one on the eastern side. The land lying along the Mississippi and about the mouth of Wood River on the west of the highway is now used by an oil company as an area for the loading of river barges. All the early buildings in the area have long since vanished, and apparently no object that marked the site in 1804 is left. A tornado destroyed most of the old trees in 1948. Men have completed the job and left a wasteland.

A significant legend, however, still clusters about the site. Those with reasonable imagination still like to pause at the sign while they recall the story of the mission that departed from there on May 14, 1804, a little more than 150 years ago. As one such visitor said, "This place reeks with history."

Guards for the Standard Oil Company now keep a round-the-clock watch over the area. They are courteous, however. A few days ago one of them was heard to say, "We sometimes wish that Lewis and Clark had selected some other site for their training camp."

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CARBONDALE, ILL., FEB. -- Citing a projected national population increase to the 206-228 million mark by 1975, Dr. Harald (cq) Graning, regional director of the U.S. Public Health Service, predicted a "crying need for health scientists" in a talk at Southern Illinois University Wednesday (Feb. 27).

Speaking on "Careers Opportunities in Health," Graning said the population trend and a heavier number of people in the over-65, under-20 age groups, means "we'll have to begin tooling up soon to meet the health needs of people." Graning said "health departments and agencies everywhere are shouting for trained help now. And the need for more people will get more severe."

Graning, who praised SIU's Health Science program, one of the few four year undergraduate courses of its kind in the nation, said man's steady progress in defeating disease means more, not fewer personnel are required to run public health machinery.

"To achieve our goals of promoting health education, assuring our older people of healthy, productive lives, and developing case-testing, we must depend on more people trained in the specialties of the field," he said. "The enablements of education--rigid thinking, worthy example and leadership--are needed more in health fields now than ever before."

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CARBONDALE, ILL., MARCH -- A dark-haired, blue-eyed beauty from Chicago's near north side is the first coed to major in agriculture at Southern Illinois University.

City-bred Eugenia "Gene" Duane, 20, (of 2549 North Clark St.) would like to raise beef cattle in South America.

Gene says she doesn't feel a bit out of place among the 235 male students majoring in agriculture. On the other hand, Dr. Joseph E. Burnside, her instructor in animal husbandry, says she's been a definite morale builder in his class.

A 1953 graduate of Waller North Side High School, Gene formerly worked for the Illinois Department of Revenue in Chicago.

Last year she visited the SIU campus to see her friend Marilyn Bullock, a sophomore from Chicago (10425 Trumbull). She persuaded Gene to begin pursuit of her ambition to train horses and raise cattle by enrolling at Southern.

Gene realizes that her dream of a South American ranch may be a long way from realization. Her first goal after finishing her University studies is to do field work with the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Born in Davenport, Ia., Miss Duane lived in several major cities as a girl. Her father, later killed in a plane crash in Texas, took his family along when he was transferred from base to base in the Air Force. Her mother later married Harvey Cooper of Chicago.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Mar.--Canadian Tenor Leopold Simoneau, last season's star attraction of the Munich Festival and Vienna State Opera Festival in London, concludes the 1956-57 Community Concert series here with a solo appearance in Shryock Auditorium at 8 p.m. Mar. 13.

Open to members of the Carbondale Community Concert Association and SIU students with activity tickets, the recital is the last of four sponsored by a group during its 21st season.

A soloist with such eminent conductors as Sir Walter Beecham, Bruno Walter and others, Simoneau has starred in more than 250 performances with La Scala and the opera companies of Vienna, Paris, Chicago, New Orleans and Philadelphia. He also has been featured for several years in the Edinburgh Festival with the Glyndebourne Opera Company as well as the International Music Festival at Aix-en-Provence.

Simoneau's reputation as an outstanding lead in Mozart productions has led to feature roles throughout the U.S., Canada, Europe, and South America.

Simoneau's Carbondale program will include works by Handel, Schubert, Mozart, Duparc, Saint-Saens, Griffes, Shield-Britten, Hahn, Faure, Balfe, Chanler, Massenet, Bridge, and two tunes from Old English. A highlight will be the difficult aria, "Il mio tesoro," from "Don Giovanni."

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

SIU COUNTRY COLUMN

by Albert Meyer

Raising calves to be good cows is important to the dairy farmer, but, unfortunately, this does not always occur. Feeding is a big factor as was brought out by dairy specialists who spoke to dairy farmers attending the second annual Dairy Workshop at Southern Illinois University February 26 and 28.

For example, Dr. K.A. Kendall, a University of Illinois dairy scientist, reported that nearly 20 percent (or more than four million) of the calves born this year in the United States will die from disease or other causes before they are two years old. About half of them may be counted as heifer calves from which the dairy herds of the future will come. It requires between four and one-half and five million replacements annually to take the place of cows that are culled from the herds for various reasons.

One of the reasons for the loss is failure to do a good job of feeding.

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The first step in producing a healthy calf is good care and adequate feeding for the cow bearing the calf, especially during the last three or four months before calving. She needs all the good quality roughage--pasture and hay or silage--she will eat, supplemented by enough grain and minerals to take care of her milk production and the developing calf. The cow should be "dried off" during the last two months before calving so that she can prepare for the next lactation period which begins with the production of the vitamin-rich first milk, or colostrum, that is most important in giving the new-born calf a good start in life. A cow weighing 1400 pounds at peak production should get enough feed to build her weight up to 1600 or 1700 pounds by calving time. Calves from cows that are fed and managed thus will be healthy and of good size. Calves should be left with the mother cow for three days to nurse at will. The first milk is rich in vitamin A, antibodies, minerals, and protein which help protect the calf from disease.

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Good feeding for the calf up to six months of age includes supplying whole milk for eight or ten weeks; starting with a small quantity of grain mixture or starter feed that has 18 or 19 percent protein at one or two weeks of age, and free feeding high quality legume hay in a rack (not on the floor). A calf needs fresh water available at all times and should be protected from sudden changes in temperature.

It is after the calf has passed the milk and starter feeding stage that proper management practices may be neglected. Quite often farmers try to get by on pasture and cheap forage from then on until the heifers are nearing their first calving period. This "teen-age" period is important in the heifer's development, too, according to Howard Olson, the SIU dairy specialist.

Pasture alone will not supply all the nutrients that growing heifers need. From about four to 10 months of age they need some good quality legume hay supplemented with a simple grain mixture that has about 15 percent total protein, and enough minerals, including steamed bonemeal and salt, so that they will grow well without overfattening. The amount of concentrates will vary with the quality of the roughage. If it is only of fair grade, the heifers will need four to five pounds of concentrates daily to grow properly.

By 10 months of age the heifer's rumen (or paunch) has developed sufficiently so that more roughage can be handled. From then on not much grain concentrate is required if the pasture or hay is of high quality--containing much legumes. If the pasture gets mature, scant, or has a high percentage of grass in the forage, some additional feed in the form of hay, silage or concentrates will be necessary. As calving time nears, the supplemental grain feeding should be started to develop a good calf and keep the young cow growing to maturity.

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(Rendleman's office phone is 1340, extension 4111, Carbondale)

Carbondale, Ill., Mar. -- Southern Illinois University's legal counsel and assistant to the president, John Rendleman, has been given the job of organizing sweeping changes in the nation's traffic law enforcement and court procedures.

Working under a $10,000 grant from the American Bar Association and the Automobile Safety Foundation, Rendleman has started work on a project designed to "set up a uniform system of traffic court administration and improved enforcement procedures in every state."

Rendleman was picked for the job by Chief Justice Arthur T. Vanderbilt of the New Jersey Supreme Court. The Conference of Chief Justices, of which Vanderbilt is chairman, worked with the 1951 Governor's Conference in laying out a 16-point program of resolutions for traffic law improvements. Rendleman's research appointment for one year officially puts machinery in motion to implement the changes.

Included in the six-year-old table of resolutions are such items as the elimination of speed traps, uniform, non-fixable traffic tickets, the integration of the traffic court into the entire judicial system, thus eliminating the patchwork pattern of "J.P." and magistrate courts throughout the states, and a requirement that only lawyers may serve as traffic court judges.

Rendleman said a major portion of the grant will be used for travel while consulting judges, educators and legal and police officials.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., Mar.--Ceramist Marguerite Wildenhain, whose stoneware has been described as "the finest pottery produced in the world today," will conduct a seminar and deliver a public lecture during a visit to Southern Illinois University Mar. 12-13.

The lecture will be given at 8 p.m. Mar. 12 in the University School Studio Theater. Seminars and wheel-demonstrations will be given in the SIU pottery laboratory the afternoon of the 12th and morning of the 13th.

Now the director of Pond Farm, her studio-workshop in Guerneville, Calif., Mrs. Wildenhain learned the craft at the Bauhaus, Walter Gropius' influential art center in Weimar, Germany. She received the degree, Master-Potter, after serving a seven year apprenticeship.

Following educational and professional work in Germany, Miss Wildenhain left in 1933 and lived in Holland before coming to the U.S. in 1940. She taught for two years at the California College of Arts and Crafts before establishing Pond Farm.

The 61-year old French-born potter has been considered the leading artist in west coast crafts circles since coming to America. Her first midwestern show in 1941 was hailed by V. A. Middledorff, chairman of the University of Chicago Art Department, as "the first showing of modern pottery which is as good as the best of Chinese and Japanese. I say this without the slightest exaggeration."

Eugene Bunker, SIU pottery instructor, said reservations for the seminars have been received from St. Louis, Wichita, Kan., and other regional cities.

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3-5-57

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CARBONDALE, ILL., MAR. -- H. W. Homann, vocational agriculture teacher at Du Quoin High School, was elected president of the Southern Division, Illinois Education Association, at a representative assembly Monday (Mar. 4) at Southern Illinois University.

Homann and others elected will take office July 1, according to the outgoing president, Raymond L. Foster, SIU lecturer in chemistry. About 75 delegates, representing teacher-members in the division's 14 southernmost Illinois counties, attended the meeting.

Other new officers are Russell Emery, Herrin, Williamson County superintendent of schools, first vice-president, and Harold Mescher, Cairo High School principal, second vice-president. Re-elected were H. W. Ellis, Herrin Junior High School principal, secretary, and Elbert Fulkerson, SIU secretary of the faculty, treasurer.

Roye E. Bryant, director of Southern's Placement Service, was named executive committee chairman and Oliver W. Tripp, Metropolis High School teacher, was chosen to head the finance committee.

Appointed to committees were:

Finance -- Oren McClure, Du Quoin superintendent of schools; Glenn Jones, Vienna, Johnson County superintendent of schools; and Raymond Foster, Elizabethtown, Hardin County superintendent of schools.

Public relations -- Eltis Henson, Harrisburg High School principal; Miss Agatha White, Murphysboro elementary teacher.

Executive -- Miss Alice Grant, Marion, West Frankfort High School teacher; Harold Felty, McLeansboro High School assistant principal.

Tenure -- Howard Wright, Golconda, Pope County superintendent of schools.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Mar.--With three of last year's champions ready for action, Southern Illinois University's mat squad is favored to cop the Interstate wrestling title again in a conference meet at Illinois Normal Saturday (Mar. 9.)

Defending Champion, SIU will be pushed, however, by Northern Illinois, which is undefeated in 11 engagements.

Conference title defenders will include Bob Dunkel (177,) Lee Grubbs (137,) and Ed Hayes (heavyweight,) all of SIU: Jay Meitzler (157,) Illinois Normal, and Roy Hatfield (167,) Eastern Illinois.

Hayes (Carbondale) and Grubbs (Overland, Mo.) have the best records on the SIU squad, Hayes holding a 16-1-0 mark, while Grubbs is 11-1-1. Grubbs last week was named the outstanding wrestler in the Ozark AAU meet at Overland, Mo. SIU finished second behind Ritenour YMCA in the meet, which attracted more than 175 amateur matmen. Grubbs won the 137-pound title, Hayes won the heavyweight crown and Dunkel (St. Louis) copped the 177-pound championship.

Also winning a championship was John Orlando, a native of Overland, Mo., who won a referee's decision over his twin-brother, Pete, after the two had battled to a 1-1 draw in three rounds and an overtime period. It was the second time within a week that John had defeated his brother in a close match.

Orlando has a 15-1-1 season mark and could be a conference winner this weekend. He won the 157-pound title in 1955, but finished second last year.

SIU Coach Jim Wilkinson says his team has all the potential to win the championship again, but added that a couple of upsets could easily swing the meet to Northern.

In dual meets this year Southern has a 6-2 mark, losing only to Ritenour YMCA and Indiana University.

Saturday's meet will end SIU's mat competition for the year, except for the national NCAA and AAU meets.

Probable SIU contenders and their season records:

123-pound--Ron Edwards, Florissant, Mo. (0-8-0); 130-pound--Roy Fowley, Belleville (4-2-0); 137-pound--Grubbs (11-1-1); 147-pound--John Barger, Kirkwood, Mo. (5-2-0), or Spencer Smith, Alton (7-2-0), or John Caynak, Racine, Wisc. (4-1-0); 157-pound--Herman Ayres, Harvey (10-3-2); 167-pound--Orlando (15-1-1); 177-pound--Dunkel (13-2-2); 191-pound--Gary Burdick, Omaha (6-3-1); and Hayes (16-1-0).

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Mar.--Central Michigan and Southern Illinois University will be favored in the Interstate Conference's first annual swimming meet set for Western Illinois at Macomb Saturday (Mar. 9.)

Winner of 30 straight swimming meets for one of the nation's best records, Central Michigan will be a definite favorite, while Southern, loser of only one meet in the past 16, is the only other team given a chance to compete with the unbeaten Chippewas.

Southern's strongest bid for a first will come from SIU's outstanding diving duo, Roger Counsil, Wood River, and Bruce Coleman, West Frankfort, this pair has copped a first in every meet since SIU began varsity swimming in 1955.

Other events in which Southern may place first are the 220 and 440-yard freestyle, the 220-yard breaststroke, and the 400-yard freestyle relay, but even in these events Central is favored. Central and Southern are picked to capture every first.

Southern is 10-1 for the season, losing only to the University of Chicago, 49-37. SIU's wins have been over Loyola (Chicago,) 60-25; Missouri Mines, 68-18; Illinois Normal, 62-24; U.S. Air Force Academy, 48-38; St. Louis University, 70-15; Western Illinois, 61-25; Beloit College, 57-28; Bradley University, 65-21; Grinnell (Iowa) College, 45-33; and Washington University, 44-41.

Probable SIU entries: Captain Joe Barry, Edwardsville; Terry Lockman, West Frankfort; Robert Schulhof, Chicago; John Huber, Hoopeston; Robert Campbell, Kankakee; Counsil; Coleman; David Burkstaller, Wyatt, Mo.; Charles Strattan, Mt. Vernon; Tom Harris and Laurence Benjamin, Highland Park; Robert Montgomery and Rex Paddock, Grafton; Vib Stoever and Vaughn Hathaway, Chester; Al Cline, Springfield; Bill Busch, Jerseyville; and Larry Havens, Carbondale.

Southern, holder of a two-year dual-meet record of 16-4, will close its season by hosting the first annual National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) swimming meet at Carbondale Saturday Mar. 23.

The more than 450 members of the NAIA have been invited to compete.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Mar.--Chaun-hua Lowe, counselor for the Chinese Embassy in Washington, D. C., will give an address on Far Eastern problems at 7 p.m. Thursday (Mar. 7) in the University School Studio Theater on the Southern Illinois University campus. Sponsored by SIU's International Relations Club, the lecture is free to the public.

Lowe, a 1923 graduate of the University of Chicago, lectured on Chinese affairs for Extension Divisions of three leading midwestern universities before returning to his native land as a journalist and educator in 1925. He served as head of the Industrial Department of the YMCA National Committee of China and director of the China International Famine Relief Commission's Shanghai office. In 1938, Lowe joined the government Information Office, representing China in Hong Kong, Burma, India, South America and Canada. He was appointed embassy counselor to the U. S. in 1954.

Lowe is the author of many books on Chinese problems, including "Labor Problems in China," "Japan's Economic Offensive in China," "China's 25-Year Struggle Against Communism," "Factory Legislation in China," and others.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., MAR. -- An afternoon program dealing with the barriers to community progress in Southern Illinois will precede the March 22 showing here of "Our Living Future", a film produced by Life Magazine for the American Council to Improve Our Neighborhoods (ACTION).

A three-act skit written by Mrs. Laura Maude Connell of Mounds and acted by citizens of the Mounds-Cairo area will be among the features of the afternoon program. There will also be a panel discussion led by several Southern Illinois industrialists, and a talk by Richard W. Poston, director of the Southern Illinois University Department of Community Development.

Registration for the program will be at 1 p.m. in the Southern Playhouse on the University campus.

The Life movie will be shown on a giant panoramic screen at 8 p.m. in the University's Shryock Auditorium. It will be part of a one and one-half hour presentation that also includes an in-person lecture by News Analyst David Hardy of Life, dramatic photographs of community deterioration and blighted areas, and exerpts from another film, "Man of Action".

The "Our Living Future" movie illustrates some of the problems of American towns and cities and shows how three communities of varying sizes have been able to mobilize democratic action for lasting community improvements. One of these towns is Eldorado, Ill., where the SIU Department of Community Development has been assisting townspeople since the fall of 1953. The movie is on a tour of 90 American cities.

Special invitations for the afternoon and evening programs at SIU have been sent to area mayors, chamber of commerce executives, school administrators and other groups. Both sessions are open to the public.

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CARBONDALE,ILL.,-- Giant City State Park's rustic lodge will serve as a school house March 18-22 for principals and superintendents attending Southern Illinois University's fifth annual Workshop for School Administrators.

Directed by Dr. Clarence D. Samford, SIU professor of education, the five-day meeting is designed to help schoolmen solve mutual problems as well as provide individual assistance.

Guest consultant will be Dr. Maynard Bemis of Bloomington, Ind., national executive secretary of Phi Delta Kappa, professional fraternity for men in education.

Much in demand as a lecturer in educational administration, Dr. Bemis has been professor of school administration at Stanford University and the University of Colorado and has headed the Department of School Administration at the University of Wyoming.

Samford said the public is invited to a special 6 p.m. dinner meeting Wednesday night (March 20) at the lodge, where Bemis will speak on "Improving the Quality of Public School Education".

Another consultant will be Otis Keeler of Springfield, chairman of the Southern Illinois Supervisory District for the State Office of Public Instruction. Faculty members from Southern will lead panel discussions and several educational films will be shown.

Three quarter hours of college credit will be granted by the University for full-time participation in the workshop,although non-credit attendance also is encouraged.

Workshop fee is $37.50, which covers tuition, book rental, lodging for four nights, and 13 meals. Administrators planning to attend should register without delay, Samford said.

The SIU College of Education and Extension Division are co-sponsoring the workshop.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- Winter term final examinations will be held at Southern Illinois University March 14-19 and will be followed by an eight-day vacation break before the start of the spring quarter.

The last examinations will be given in the evening of March 19 and first classes of the new quarter will meet the night of March 27. Full class schedules begin officially the following morning.

March 27 has been set as the last day of regular registration for the spring quarter. Students entering after that time will be assessed a late registration fee of $2 for the first day and $1 for each additional day.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- Nearly 300 rural young adults from Illinois are expected for a five-day Illinois Farm Bureau Young People's Leadership Training Conference at Southern Illinois University March 20-24.

E.W. Dalhaus, Chicago, Illinois Agricultural Association director of young people's activities, says the conference objective will be to provide rural young adults with an opportunity to obtain information, to learn new techniques, and to strengthen beliefs which will help them carry on more successful county programs for youth and to prepare them for constructive participation in Farm Bureau affairs.

The Association seeks a young married couple, a single young man, and a single young woman from each county at the conference. Participants will live in Woody Hall, SIU residence hall for women, registering at 3 p.m. March 20. The conference will open with a 7:30 p.m. barbecue March 20 and close with a Saturday night (March 23) dinner at which I.A.A. President Otto Stoffey will speak.

Daily classes in public speaking, Farm Bureau policy development and execution, obtaining and maintaining membership, public relations in agriculture, recreational leadership, and the American way of life have been scheduled for the conference.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., MAR. -- One player each from Western Illinois, Illinois Normal, Indiana State, Ft. Leonard Wood (Mo.), and Indiana University have been named to an all-opponent squad selected by Southern Illinois University cagers.

Heading the power-packed squad, which was picked from SIU's 17 opponents of the past season, is Archie Dees, 6-8 center from Indiana University. Southern's players picked Dees, who led the Big Ten scoring race, as the most valuable opponent.

Other first-team members were Sam Richardson (6-4), Indiana State, forward; Chuck Schramm (6-6), Western Illinois, forward; Bill Ridley (5-9), Ft. Leonard Wood, guard, and Fred Marberry (6-1), Illinois Normal, guard.

Named to the second team all-opponent squad are Ron Ellis, Miami University, and Grady McCollum, Western Illinois, forwards; Joe Bertrand, Ft. Leonard Wood, center; Jerry Leggett, Beloit, and John Milholland, Eastern Illinois, guards.

All-Conference opponent squads named were:

FIRST TEAM--Forwards--McCollum, Western Illinois; Marberry, Illinois Normal; Center--Schramm, Western; Guards--Ralph Bacote, Northern Illinois, and Milholland, Eastern Illinois.

SECOND TEAM--Forwards--John Olson, Northern Illinois; Duane Ingraham, Central Michigan; Center--Tony Cadle, Illinois Normal; guards--Chuck Behrends and Walt Moore, both of Western Illinois.

Schramm was picked as the most valuable conference opponent.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- A Southern Illinois University journalism student with no previous stage experience will play the male lead when the Southern Players, campus drama group, produce "Streetcar Named Desire" April 15-20.

Henry Surowski, of Ft. Knox, Ky., whose real name almost matches that of the stage character he will play, was awarded the part of Stanley Kowalski after a tryout performance.

Playing opposite him, as Blanche DuBois, will be Pamela Hindman, music student from Anna.

Joan House, Auburn sophomore, will play Stella, the third major role in the modern classic by Tennessee Williams.

The production, fourth of the season for the Players, will be directed by Dr. Sherwin Abrams, associate professor of speech. Curtain time is 8 p.m. during the six-night run, with single admissions priced at $1.

Other members of the cast are:

BELLEVILLE: Karl Hollerbach (812 E. Main)
CARBONDALE: Donald Gilleland
CHAMPAIGN: James Lash (703 N. Randolph)
CHICAGO: Harriet Sax (7758 Essex)
EVANSTON: Fred Miksch (1110 Monroe)
METROPOLIS: Linda Adams
ST. LOUIS: Patricia McCormick (3416 Magnolia)
WORCESTER, MASS.: Margaret Chaffee (314 Main)

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Mar.--Special lectures and an exhibit will feature the fourth annual Southern Illinois University Pan-American Festival April 14-18, according to J. Cary Davis, chairman of the Festival committee. The event will be sponsored by the SIU College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Dr. Louis G. Kahle, associate professor of political science at the University of Missouri, and Don Bolt, lecturer and traveler, will speak during the four-day festival. Kahle will give the Pan-American address April 16 and will speak again the following afternoon at an informal session. Bolt will lecture on Latin America at the April 18 student assembly.

Special exhibits related to the Festival theme, "The Spanish Borderlands," will be open to the public in the SIU Museum during the week. Special faculty lectures and the showing of the film "Sombrero" are among the other features planned.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Mar.--Dr. Maude A. Stewart, associate professor of guidance at Southern Illinois University, has been accepted as a presidential nominee for Pi Lambda Theta, national association for women in education.

The only other approved candidate is Sylvia Vopni of the University of Washington College of Education. Members of the nation's 78 Pi Lambda Theta chapters will elect a president this spring to serve a two-year term.

A member of the association's national program committee, Dr. Stewart was instrumental in organizing the SIU Pi Lambda Theta chapter. Open to college upperclass and graduate students with high scholastic standings, the organization stresses educational competence, research, and international understanding among women educators.

Dr. Stewart received her bachelor's degree at the University of Nebraska and her master's and doctor's degrees at Syracuse University. She was assistant director of Syracuse's training course for college personnel workers from 1944 until 1949, when she joined the SIU faculty. At Southern, she also directs a similar program on a graduate level.

She is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Illinois Guidance and Personnel Association, American Personnel and Guidance Association, and the American Psychological Association.

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CARBONDALE, Ill., Mar. -- A minor in safety education which meets National Safety Council recommendations has been approved for students at Southern Illinois University.

Requiring 24 quarter hours of courses in health education, psychology, and industrial education, the minor is offered at no other midwestern university except Michigan State, according to Dr. Donald N. Boydston, chairman of the SIU health education department.

"Because demands for safety specialists keep increasing, especially in transportation, industry, and recreation, we expect to have at least 75 students minoring in safety education by next fall," Boydston said.

Dr. A. Frank Bridges, assistant professor of health education and Southern Illinois Regional Civil Defense director, helped develop the minor, which includes classes in such subjects as "Industrial Psychology", "Fundamentals of Transportation", "First Aid", and "Driver Education".

Southern's safety education minors who go into teaching will be well qualified as playground and industrial education safety supervisors, Boydston pointed out.

Although open to all students, the new minor will appeal especially to those majoring in industrial education, health education, and recreation, he added.

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SHURTLEFF WAS PIONEER COLLEGE

John W. Allen
Southern Illinois University

It was recently announced that Shurtleff College would close permanently at the end of this academic year. To those familiar with the history of education in Illinois the announcement suggests an interesitng story, briefly sketched here.

John Mason Peck was hewing timbers near a spring between Lebanon and O'Fallon in St. Clair County one day in early 1827. John Milcot Ellis, riding along the roadway between the towns, heard the chopping and stopped to investigate.

Surprise must have been mutual when the men learned how much alike their background and purposes were. Both had been educated at Eastern colleges. Each had been sent to the Southern Illinois region by a different church group as a combination religious-educational missionary. Each had been instructed to pick a location and to plan for a "seat of higher learning." Peck had selected the site for his school and was now preparing timbers for the building when Ellis happened by.

The school Peck founded between Lebanon and O'Fallon was known as Rock Spring Seminary and was the first institution of higher learning in the new state. In his history of Shurtleff College, published in 1900, Austin K. Deblois designates Rock Spring Seminary as the oldest Protestant theological school in the Mississippi Valley. He also designates Shurtleff as the oldest college in the midwest.

Built in the summer and fall of 1827 it opened for students in November of that year. During the four years that it operated at Rock Spring, average attendance was about 50, with a total of 242 individuals enrolled. A church paper, "The Pioneer Baptist," was published there, the first Baptist paper in Illinois.

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At a meeting of the trustees held at Edwardsville on July 26, 1831, it was decided to remove the school to Alton where Peck first had wished to locate it. Situated on the river it would be more accessible, and it would be in a locality that was thought to offer greater promise. The school's name was changed to Alton Seminary, but it was also referred to as Alton College. The building that housed the seminary at Rock Spring stood until it burned in 1852, along with Peck's great collection of Illinois historical materials. Each of seven men contributed $125 toward a new site at Alton. With $400 of this fund they bought 124 acres of land, later acquiring 240 additional acres at $1.25 an acre. The purposes in acquiring so large a tract was two-fold. It could be used as a kind of self-help or subsistence farm, and parts of it could be sold as town lots with profit to the institution. Other funds were contributed, and a building 40 by 32 feet was erected at a cost of $1625.

It was necessary to apply to the Illinois legislature for a new charter. Two other groups made similar applications for schools elsewhere in the state. None of there were approved, however, because several members of the legislature expressed fear that the colleges might buy up large tracts of land, tenant and control them, and thus create a kind of church state. It was not until 1835 that three other groups and some individuals of influence prevailed upon the legislature to grant charters patterned after the one held by Yale. Even so, the land that a school might hold was limited to 640 acres. The legislature did, however, permit departments of theology, previously banned.

The name of Shurtleff was given for Benjamin Shurtleff of Boston who donated $10,000 and otherwise befriended the struggling school. Despite the help given by Shurtleff and others and the sustained efforts of John Mason Peck, it was difficult for the young college to survive. It lacked adequate buildings and properly trained teachers. Some of the latter need was supplied by young men who came as missionaries with part of their salaries paid by religious groups.

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Shurtleff and other small colleges provided the early educational leadership of Illinois. With the advent of state-supported schools and the establishment of great universities these smaller schools became less prominent, some ceasing to exist. It now appears that Shurtleff will join those that have vanished.

Many men, later to become prominent, received training at Shurtleff. Among these were governors of the state, men who attained military distinction, senators, attorneys, judges, members of congress, many ministers and missionaries, editors, physicians, and other prominent citizens.

Shurtleff has furnished educational opportunity to many an aspiring youth, some of whom have "worked their way" through. Typical of these was John M. Palmer.

In 1834 young Palmer pleaded for his father's permission to go to college. After some days of thought, the father said: "I have no money to expend for your education, but a boy as healthy as you are needs no help. You may go tomorrow morning; I give you your time. Don't disgrace me, God bless you." Young Palmer, working at jobs that ranged from plasterer's helper to clock salesman, completed his planned course. He went on to become a successful teacher, general, governor of the state and U.S. senator.

The name of Abraham Lincoln became connected with the school when he was employed in behalf of a boy suspended from the college. So far as can be learned, this was the last case in which Lincoln appeared in court before going to assume the office of President.

Several of the earlier buildings till are left. Perhaps the most interesting of these is Loomis Hall, built in 1832. There are other old structures and memorials that help to lend reality to the past. Though the visitor on the campus never may have attended Shurtleff, he still feels a twinge of regret at the thought of its passing.

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

SIU COUNTRY COLUMN

by Albert Meyer

If the nation's cattle farmers hold to past patterns, a decline in cattle numbers showing up this year likely may continue for the next five or six years. At least that is the way Dr. Walter J. Wills, Southern Illinois University agricultural marketing specialist, sees it.

The assumption is based on a January 1 U.S. Department of Agriculture report of livestock numbers on farms as determined through the cooperation of the state statisticians' offices and reports from thousands of farmers. The estimate is a regular first-of-the-year report and has value to farmers and others interested in determining where the nation's livestock industry is headed.

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United States farmers had two percent fewer cattle on their farms January 1 than they had a year earlier when the number reached an all-time high of nearly 97,000,000 head. The numbers on the farms this year, however, were exceeded only by the cattle populations of 1954, 1955, and 1956. The decline this year was greater for dairy cows than for beef cattle, Wills points out.

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The picture in Illinois differs somewhat from the national figure. Here total cattle numbers are about six percent above last year. Dairy cow numbers decreased about two percent in Illinois but beef cow numbers were up three percent and other beef cattle increased 10 percent. The latter group is composed primarily of cattle on feed, or young cattle intended for the feed lots. There have been earlier references in this column to the larger proportion of younger beef cattle on Illinois feeding farms this year and the possibility of a later than normal movement to market.

Dairy cows still outnumber beef cows 849,000 to 633,000 in Illinois, Wills says. In the United States there are 23,000,000 dairy cows as compared to nearly 25,000,000 beef cows. Texas is the leader in number of beef cows, followed in order by Nebraska, Oklahoma, and South Dakota.

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Illinois ranks fifteenth, being surpassed by such states as North Dakota, Florida, Mississippi, and Alabama.

Illinois ranks tenth in number of dairy cows. The leading dairy cow states are Wisconsin, Minnesota, New York, and Iowa.

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The number of stock sheep in the nation went down two percent this year while total number of sheep was down only one percent. Here, too, Illinois is not following the national pattern because the report shows that total number of sheep is up four percent and the number in breeding flocks is up one percent. The north central states have 28 percent of the nation's sheep with breeding sheep up three percent in number.

In number of stock sheep Illinois ranks seventeenth. Leading the way are Texas, Wyoming, California, and Montana.

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An interesting sidelight emphasizing the rapidity of technological advancements in agriculture, particularly in farm mechanization, is indicated by the reported decline in number of horses and mules on farms. The U.S.D.A. report showed a 16 percent decline in Illinois during the past year. Nationally the number of horses and mules has declined nearly two-thirds in the last 10 years.

In a recent speech at the SIU Agriculture Club dinner, Earl M. Hughes, prominent Woodstock, Illinois, farmer, reported that the number of horses and mules on the nation's farms went down from 26,000,000 in 1920 to only 4,600,000 in 1954. The most rapid decline has come since the mid-thirties.

It would be a safe assumption that many of the horses and mules remaining on the farms see only intermittent use today except in certain limited areas of the nation where rural folk cling to the use of animals instead of tractors as farm motive power for reasons of religion or group customs.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- Dr. Talbert W. Abbott, dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, has been chosen to receive the third annual Faculty Service Award at Southern Illinois University.

The award is made by the Egyptian, student newspaper, on the basis of service to students, popularity with faculty members, and professional standing. It will be presented to Dean Abbott at the annual journalism department banquet April 19.

Abbott joined the SIU staff in 1928 as an associate professor of chemistry, coming here from Georgia Tech. He was later made a professor in chemistry and served as director of extension and director of placements before being named to the dean's post in 1945.

Previous winners of the service award were Drs. Robert D. Faner and E.C. Coleman of the SIU English department.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- Leo Schrall, baseball coach at Bradley University, and two high school track coaches will headline the ninth annual spring sports clinic at Southern Illinois University March 29.

Featured with Schrall will be William Townes, track coach at DeKalb High School, and Clarence (Babe) Pierce, track coach at Mounds Township High School. Two members of the SIU coaching staff, Leland F. (Doc) Lingle and Paul Tretiak, also will appear on the program.

More than 200 area coaches are expected to attend the one-day meeting.

Schrall, a graduate of Notre Dame, has been head baseball coach at Bradley since 1949. During that time his teams won five Missouri Valley championships (1950-51-52-53-56), compiling an eight-year overall record of 128 victories and only 60 defeats.

His many years in professional baseball included experience with Peoria of the Three-I League, Tulsa of the Texas League, Dubuque in the Mississippi Valley League, and Beaver Falls in the Middle Atlantic League. He managed the Peoria Red Wings from 1946 to 1948.

Last year his squad not only won the conference championship but went on to finish third at the National College World Series at Omaha, Nebraska.

Townes and Pierce, both SIU graduates, are two of the state's most successful prep track coaches. Townes, a native of Carbondale, coached at Anna-Jonesboro four years before moving to DeKalb in 1940.

Townes co-captained the 1941 SIU football team and was elected track captain, but left for the Air Force before the season opened.

Pierce coached for 17 years in the Christopher schools before moving to Mounds this past year. His Christopher High School team won 36 straight dual, triangular, and quadrangular meets over a five-year period. His squads won 12 straight Coal Belt and Black Diamond titles.

Lingle, who will soon begin his 31st year as head track coach at SIU, will tell of his trip to the Olympic Games in Australia this past fall. SIU's alumni, students and other fans contributed over $1,700 so Lingle could watch Phil Coleman, former SIU runner, in the Olympic steeplechase.

Tretiak, assistant baseball coach at Southern, has had eight years of professional baseball experience. He was assistant baseball coach at the University of Missouri for three years before coming to Southern.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Mar.--Southern Illinois women will present their first "Leader of the Year" award this spring to Mrs. Ivy Baker Priest, treasurer of the United States.

Mrs. Priest will receive a scroll and medallion of the fourth annual Southern Illinois Women's Day April 25 at Southern Illinois University.

An open invitation is being extended women throughout Southern Illinois to visit the campus on that date as guests of the SIU Women's Club, an organization of women's faculty members and faculty wives. Club president is Mrs. Ernest J. Simon, wife of the dean of Southern's Vocational-Technical Institute.

Registration and a coffee hour at 8:30 a.m. in Woody Hall Formal Lounge will open the program. Visitors will be offered guided tours of the library, agriculture building, Thompson Point residence halls, Life Science building, University School, Woody Hall, and Vocational-Technical Institute.

At a noon luncheon, home economics students will present a style show. Mrs. Priest will speak during the afternoon program, in which the 1957 Illinois "Mother of the Year" also will be honored. Special recognition will be given women's groups which have established scholarships for SIU students.

A native of Utah, Mrs. Priest has been active in politics and government since 1934, when she became president of the Utah State Young Republicans. She also has headed the Utah State Women's Legislative Council.

For eight years Mrs. Priest was a Republican National Committeewoman, attaining the positions of assistant to the chairman and head of the Women's Division before resigning in 1953 when President Eisenhower chose her as the nation's first woman treasurer.

Further information on Women's Day may be obtained from Mrs. Jo Ann Boydston, arrangements chairman, Box 1, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- "Personality Development of Exceptional Children" will be discussed by Dr. Oliver P. Kolstoe, chairman of the Southern Illinois University department of guidance and special education, in the sixth of a series of seminars on personality and mental health at Anna State Hospital March 19.

The seminar, free to the public, will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the recreation room of the employees' residence hall.

Kolstoe, a specialist in the problems of exceptional and mentally handicapped children, joined the SIU faculty last summer. Previously he had been associated with both the College of Education and the Institute for Research on Exceptional Children at the University of Illinois. He received a master's degree in psychology from the University of North Dakota and a doctorate from the State University of Iowa.

The seminar program, sponsored by the Anna State Hospital, the Department of Public Welfare and SIU, continues with meetings every other week through April 14.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- Louis Krasner, whose premiere performance of Alban Berg's violin concerto in 1936 established him as one of the world's great artists on the instrument, will present another "first" when he performs in concert during the Southern Illinois University Fine Arts Festival here April 15.

Accompanied by his wife, Adrienne Galimer, Krasner will play Elie Siegmeister's "Sonata No. 2 for Violin and Piano." Siegmeister, a leading American composer, will be on hand for the premiere performance. Beginning at 8:15 p.m. in Shryock Auditorium, the program--as are all Festival attractions--is free to the public.

A concert performer since 1930, Krasner has soloed with the symphony orchestras of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Minneapolis, Chicago, Cleveland, and several European orchestras including the Vienna Philharmonic, the Berlin Philharmonic and the B.B.C. Orchestra.

Krasner's recording of the Berg concerto, written especially for him, was voted the "outstanding contemporary recording of 1941". He has also played first performances of concertos by Schoenberg, Sessions, Casella and Achron.

In his Festival recital, Krasner will play music by Berg, Prokofieff, Stravinsky and Ravel, in addition to the Siegmeister work.

The Festival begins March 31, concluding with Krasner's program on April 15. Other attractions scheduled during the two weeks include the Canadian Players of Stratford, Ont.; the Henry Street Playhouse modern dance group; Composer Roy Harris; Pianist Boris Goldovsky; lute-player Suzanne Bloch; an exhibition of primitive African sculpture and modern American painting and sculpture; concerts and appearances by the University String Quartet, Symphonic Band, University Choir and Opera Workshop; Pianist Steven Barwick, and lectures and symposia featuring SIU and visiting speakers.

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NEWS from Bill Lyons
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
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Release: IMMEDIATE

Carbondale, Ill., Mar. -- Three Southern Illinois University mat champions are planning to enter the NCAA national wrestling tournament at Pittsburg, Pa. Mar. 29-30.

The three, Lee Grubbs, Overland, Mo.; Gary Burdick, Omaha; and Ed Hayes, Carbondale, all took firsts as Southern won its second straight Interstate wrestling title at Illinois Normal last week end (March 9).

Also capturing firsts for SIU were captain Bob Dunkel, St. Louis (177); John Orlando, Overland, Mo. (167); and Herman Ayres, Harvey (157). This gave Southern six of the nine championships and an easy victory.

Southern's 68 points were followed by Northern Illinois' 43, Illinois Normal's 39, Eastern Illinois' 32, Western Illinois' 17, Eastern Michigan's 14, and Central Michigan's 11.

Just missing a championship was Roy Fowley, Belleville, who lost a close decision in an overtime to Robert Juarez of Illinois Normal (130-pound division) in one of the meet's best matches.

Grubbs, who had an easy time in capturing the 137-pound title, was named outstanding wrestler of the meet, although he was pushed for the honor by Ayres, SIU freshman, who upset Normal's Jay Meitzler for the 157-pound championship. Meitzler was undefeated in 39 straight matches.

Burdick upset Eastern Illinois' Jim Bryant in the 191-pound class championship, while Hayes was never in great danger in winning the heavyweight division.

Southern's victory was so decisive that the title was all but cinched even before the finals began. SIU wrestlers won 19 matches while losing only four. There was a total of 73 matches in the all-day meet.

SIU Coach Jim Wilkinson, former Big Ten wrestler from Indiana University, had considerable praise for his team, pointing out the keen competition of the tournament. "Northern Illinois, for instance, was undefeated in dual meets, yet failed to win a single first and took only three seconds," Wilkinson noted.

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Except for national competition, the meet closed the SIU wrestling season, giving Southern a 6-2 dual meet mark combined with Wheaton and Interstate Conference titles, plus a strong second place finish at the Ozark AAU meet. Last year SIU won the Wheaton and conference championships, while having a 7-1 mark, losing only to Indiana University.

Wilkinson said he would like to take all six of his league champions to the nationals, but an NCAA three-year competition regulation knocks out Dunkel, a senior, while Ayres is barred from the meet because he is a freshman. Orlando decided to pass up a possible trip so he can start baseball practice. He's expected to be Southern's top catcher this year.

Southern's wrestling hopes for next year are good with only three senior (Dunkel, Hayes, and Fowley) who will be lost by graduation.

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NEWS from Bill Lyons
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Carbondale, Ill. -- Phone 1020

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Release: IMMEDIATE

Carbondale, Ill., March -- Reverend Donald B. Johnson, director of the Student Christian Foundation at Southern Illinois University, has resigned to accept a pastorate at Community Church in Carmel Valley, California. He will leave early in April.

D. Wayne Rowland, SIU assistant professor of journalism, will serve as acting director this summer until a new permanent director is appointed, according to Reverend Charles Howe, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Carbondale and chairman of the Foundation's executive committee.

During his four and one-half years as Student Christian Foundation director, Reverend Johnson was instrumental in acquiring a building site for a new student Christian center at the northeast entrance to the SIU campus. The Foundation's original building on University Avenue was purchased by the University.

As Southern's enrollment has increased, Reverend Johnson has expanded the Foundation's program for students to include Sunday morning worship services and a Sunday evening supper club. He also has taught courses in religion and helped establish a minor in religion at SIU. Financial support for the Foundation comes from individuals, area churches representing several Protestant denominations, and other agencies.

The present Foundation building on Illinois Avenue provides an upstairs dormitory for Christian men attending the University, including some from foreign countries.

Reverend Johnson, who has completed most of his requirements for a doctorate, holds bachelor's degrees from the University of Minnesota and Eastern Baptist Seminary, and has studied in Europe. He is married and has two children.

The six-year-old Community Church chose Reverend Johnson as its first full-time pastor. The church is not affiliated with any denomination.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

More than 70 business, labor and civic leaders from West Frankfort asked Southern Illinois University Monday night (March 11) to help them start a long-range development program for that community.

The delegation presented the request to Richard W. Poston, director of Southern's department of community development, at a dinner meeting. Poston told the group his department would lend its assistance to West Frankfort as soon as funds became available from the legislature for expanding operations and hiring additional staff. The department is currently at work in a dozen Illinois towns.

Among those attending the meeting were: R. A. Bonifield, operator of a trucking firm and current president of Southern Illinois, Inc.; Carl Barker, president of the chamber of commerce; Basil Killion of the Franklin County Housing Authority, and Roger G. Kelly, president of the West Frankfort Industrial Council.

Goebel Patton, superintendent of schools, and Rev. T. H. King and Rev. Glen Wheeler of the Ministerial Association were also present.

Poston outlined the objectives of a community development program and told how citizens of other towns have achieved progress through study and action by citizens' committees. Following his address, the delegation voted unanimously to petition the University for the services of Poston and his staff.

Roy Patton, an insurance agent, was elected chairman of a temporary steering committee to get the development program underway.

The delegation, which came to the University in a motorcade with a state police escort, was organized by Bob Morgan of the Kiwanis Club.

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3/12/57

Release: IMMEDIATE

Carbondale, Ill., March -- The Carbondale Community Concert Association launched its 22nd annual membership drive here Monday (March 11), when some 100 volunteer workers gathered to map plans for the 1957-58 season.

In a meeting at Southern Illinois University SIU English professor Robert Faner, president of the group, announced Pianist Eugene List and the Knickerbocker Orchestra as one of the four concerts scheduled next season. List will play three concertos for piano and small orchestra, Faner said.

Representatives from Murphysboro, Herrin, Christopher, Carterville, DuQuoin, Anna, Marion, West Frankfort, Zeigler, Chester and Carbondale attended the meeting. The workers will cover these communities during this week, selling memberships. Season tickets are priced at $6 for adults and $3 for high school students. No admissions to individual concerts are sold. No memberships will be accepted after the conclusion of the drive Saturday (March 16).

Faner said next season's concerts will be spotted on different days of the week, to avoid consistent conflicts.

The 1956-57 concert season ends Wednesday (March 13) with a recital by Canadian tenor Leopold Simoneau at 8 p.m. in Shryock Auditorium.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE,Ill.,--Donald Hecke, Red Bud,Ill., will become editor-in-chief of the "Egyptian," semi-weekly Southern Illinois University student newspaper, at the beginning of the spring term, March 27.

A junior journalism student, Hecke holds the first Southern Illinois Editorial Association scholarship in community journalism awarded last spring. He will suceed Eugene Cryer, Kankakee, who also has been serving as sports editor.

Other staff appointments annouced today by the SIU Campus Journalism Council are: Bill Epperheimer, Harrisburg, managing editor to suceed Jack Thatcher, Flora; Warren Talley, Pickneyville, sports editor; and Toney File, Chester, news editor, a new position. Appointments are for the 1957-58 school year.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Mar.--Two Southern Illinois University cagers have been named on the Interstate All-Conference basketball teams announced this week.

Seymour Bryson, SIU 6-4 sophomore from Quincy, was named first-team forward, while Warren Talley, 6-3 junior from Pinckneyville, was picked as a second-team forward.

Another SIU player, Larry Whitlock, 6-5 junior from Mt. Vernon, received honorable mention.

Bryson, the only sophomore named to the first team, led SIU in conference scoring and rebounding, averaging 16.9 points-per-game and 13.8 rebounds for the 12 loop games. He also led Southern in free throws, scoring 83 in 117 attempts.

Complete selections as made by the IIAC athletic publicity directors upon recommendations of players and coaches were:

FIRST TEAM

Forwards: Bryson, SIU; John Olson (6-4), Northern Illinois.

Center: Chuck Schramm (6-6), Western Illinois

Guards: John Milholland (6-0), Eastern Illinois, and Chuck Behrends (6-2), Western Illinois.

Special Mention: Fred Marberry (6-1), Illinois Normal

SECOND TEAM

Forwards: Ralph Bacote (6-4), Northern Illinois, and Talley, SIU.

Center: Tony Cadle (6-8), Illinois Normal

Guards: Stan Gooch (5-10), Central Michigan and Bill Stephens (6-2), Eastern Michigan.

HONORABLE MENTION

Don Ellis, Central Michigan; Lloyd Ludwig, Eastern Illinois; Dave Parks, Eastern Michigan; Gene Jontry, Illinois Normal; Larry Gentry, Northern Illinois, Whitlock, SIU; Grady McCollum, and Don Talbot, Western Illinois.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

SIU SPORTS BRIEFS

CARBONDALE, ILL., Mar.--A bowling team composed of Southern Illinois University students has won the third annual Intercollegiate Bowling tournament held at Detroit (March 9). About 50 teams competed in the meet, which was sponsored by Detroit University.

John (Jack) Morgan, SIU student from West Frankfort, was high bowler and was named all-events champ. He had a three-game total of 613.

Other team members were Eldon Klein, Collinsville; Edmund Langen, Morrsionville; Stephen Fassero, Taylorville; Wallace Reese, Carbondale; and John Meckles, Litchfield.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Mar.--Southern Illinois University's Junior Varsity team ran up an impressive 10-3 record during the past season, ending the year with six straight wins.

The Jayvees won double victories over strong teams from Scott Field and Eastern Illinois and split with the tough St. Louis University freshmen, losing 83-74, after defeating them, 83-59. Southern lost two games to Murray State (Ky.), but was undefeated in games against strong Southern Illinois independent cage teams.

SIU averaged 78 points per game, compared to 68 for the opponents.

Don Curry, 6-4 forward from Aurora, led the team with a 13.9-points-per-game mark, followed by Gene Sams, Albion (12.8); Sam Duane, Galatia (12.5); Joe Gonzales, Granite City (10.1); Arlen Hill, Pinckneyville (9.5); Ted Werner, Edwardsville (8.5); Dick Ruggles, Quincy, Mass. (6.3); and Don McGee, Chester (6.1).

Junior Varsity coach was Jim Sells.

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CARBONDALE,ILL.,March-- Southern Illinois University's eight-page basketball program distributed free this year included a special scorecard, enabling fans to keep tab of the scoring of both teams.

SIU schedules are printed on the milk cartons used by a local dairy.

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CARBONDALE, ILL.,March-- Bill Meade, Southern Illinois University gymnastic coach, was a judge last week at the Northern Illinois high school meet and also the Big Ten gymnastic meet at Ann Arbor, Mich.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., March--Twenty Southern Illinois University co-eds planning to become elementary school teachers put away the small construction tools they have learned to use during the winter term and went home Friday (March 15) with arms full of small toys, and other items they have been making.

The ripping sound of coping saws, the banging of hammers on metal, the rasping of sandpaper, and other sounds of light construction work subsided March 8 as the handiwork of the 20 students in Prof. Shelby Shake's industrial education course, "Construction Activity Methods for Elementary Schools," went on display and the co-eds staged an end-of-the-term tea party in the classroom.

According to Shake the advanced course is designed to give prospective elementary teachers experience in construction activities involving the use of wood, metal, leathers, plastics, reed, raffia, clay, and various kinds of varnishes, seals, and paints. It is for teachers who will be working with children above the third grade.

The students have been making jointed and stationary toys, baskets, wall plaques and many other items.

Two "construction" classes for the spring term already have been filled; the advanced course will be offered again during the summer.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., Mar.--An improving Southern Illinois University gymnastic team will compete in its biggest meet of the year at the Western Illinois Invitational at Macomb Saturday (March 16).

SIU coach Bill Meade has full entries for all events in the meet, which will also include teams from Eastern Illinois, Illinois Normal, Central Michigan, Ball State, Kansas State, Mankato State, and the host school, Western Illinois.

Winner of only one meet this year, the Southern gymnasts are not expected to rank very high as a team, but should place high in some of the individual events.

After this week, Southern's only remaining competition will be a dual meet at Western Illinois April 5.

Southern's entries Saturday:

Long horse, Still Rings, All-Around, and Parallel Bars: Jerry Oettle, Hardin; Gene Salmon, Grayville; Julius Johnson, St. Louis.

Free Exercise--Oettle; Salmon; Kelly Smith, Cisne.

Side Horse--Oettle; Salmon; Johnson; K. Smith.

High Bar--Bill Franceour, Kankakee; Johnson, Salmon; Oettle.

Flying Rings--Oettle; Jim Haas, Pocahontas, Franceour.

Tumbling--Roger Counsil, Wood River; Bob Hauser, Cottage Hills.

Trampoline--Counsil; Bill Ballester, Kankakee.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- The first Conference on Community Improvement for Southern Illinois, to be held here next Friday (March 22), will deal with problems that stand in the way of area development.

The conference at Southern Illinois University, open to all citizens of the area, will be climaxed with an evening showing of the film, "Our Living Future", produced for the American Council to Improve Our Neighborhoods (ACTION). It is currently on tour of 90 selected American communities.

Sponsoring the afternoon conference and the evening program will be the University's department of community development, headed by Richard W. Poston.

"For a number of years, many people have been working diligently to build up the area and make it a more prosperous and attractive place in which to live," Poston said. "Great strides of progress have been made, but we all know that we still have a long way to go".

The ACTION movie, photographed by Life Magazine cameramen, illustrates current problems of American towns and cities and shows what some communities are doing to overcome them. The movie, part of an hour and a half program which will be conducted by News Analyst David Hardy, offers "an excellent opportunity to bring together area residents interested in the future of Southern Illinois", Poston said.

Appearing on a panel in the afternoon will be: Goerge Craig, industrial development director of the C & EI Railroad; Jack Frost, industrial development director of the Illinois Central; Goffrey Hughes, executive director of Southern Illinois, Inc.; Robert S. Henderson, industrial consultant working with the SIU community development department, and Mart Watson, Eldorado appliance dealer.

Watson has been an active leader in a development program at Eldorado which is featured in the ACTION movie along with civic progress reports on New Haven, Conn., and Winlock, Wash.

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At the afternoon session, there will also be a three-act skit depicting some of the human failings that may be keeping Southern Illinois from reaching its full potential for growth. The skits were written by Laura Maude Connell of Mounds and will be acted by citizens of Mounds and Cairo.

The afternoon program begins with registration at 1 p.m. in the University's Southern Playhouse. There will be no registration fee but admission to the movie, to be shown at 8 p.m. in Shryock Auditorium, will be 75 cents.

Along with the giant panoramic screen film, there will narration by David Hardy of Life, scenes from the animated movie "Man of Action", and dramatic photographs of community deterioration. Part of the "Our Living Future" program is a documentary of life in a run-down neighborhood, produced and directed by Academy Award Winner Leo Seltzer.

The sequences shot in Eldorado include a group of volunteer workmen razing an old building; a Chamber of Commerce meeting; new store fronts in the business district; scenes made in the Art Center which was destroyed by fire two weeks ago, and an ice cream picnic on the lawn of the City Hall.

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

CARBONDALE, ILL., MARCH -- David R. Browning, 43, superintendent of the University of West Virginia Ohio Valley Experiment Station, Point Pleasant, (West Virginia,) was approved by the Southern Illinois University Board of Trustees Thursday (March 14) as superintendent of the Cooperative Agronomy Research Center at SIU.

Browning's appointment, effective March 15, is in cooperation with the University of Illinois, which shares with SIU the operation of the Center. He will replace Edward Sullivan who resigned September 5 (1956) to accept a research position at Pennsylvania State University.

Extensive soils and crops research programs testing grain and forage crops varieties and management, soil fertility programs, and chemical weed control are carried on at the Agronomy Research Center.

A native of Verona, Mo., Browning was awarded his bachelor's and master's degrees in soils chemistry at the University of Missouri. He has continued advanced work toward his doctorate in agronomy at the University of West Virginia where he has been employed since 1941. There he carried on agronomy research until 1947 when he became superintendent of the institution's Ohio Valley Experiment Station. He has written a number of publications on water actions in soil. He is married and has two daughters, 14 and 16 years old.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- Appointment of Frederick E. List, former director of public relations at Shurtleff College, to the staff of the Southern Illinois University department of community development was approved by the board of trustees Thursday (March 14).

List, a native of New Jersey, has also served as an editor and public relations representative for the Shell Oil Company at its Wood River installation.

The SIU board also named Albert B. Mifflin, an SIU graduate now employed with the Missourian Printing and Stationary Company, Cape Girardeau, as sales manager and assistant supervisor in the University Press. Mifflin formerly worked as a commercial artist in Indianapolis and as an engineering aide with the Illinois Division of Highways.

For the summer session, the board employed R. Stanley Gex, head of the department of education and psychology at Eastern Michigan College, to direct a community resources workshop and to serve as a lecturer in guidance between June 17 and July 27.

Ronald H. Meyer of the Illinois Natural History Survey was named adjunct professor in the department of plant industry. Adjunct professors are specialists who serve the University without pay.

Among a number of part-time teaching appointees approved by the board were three public school teachers employed at Golconda and Greenville. Denver L. Dunn of the Golconda grade school will serve as a lecturer in arts and crafts when such courses are offered in the Golconda area. Paul J. Shea and Lucille Ireland, both of Greenville High School, will teach adult education courses in driver training and commercial subjects.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- Current information on farm irrigation systems will be discussed in a one-day Irrigation Clinic at the University of Illinois, Urbana, Thursday (March 21), according to Fred W. Roth, Southern Illinois University agricultural engineer.

The clinic, conducted by the U. of I. department of agricultural engineering in cooperation with SIU, the Illinois State Water Survey, the Soil Conservation Service, and the Sprinkler Irrigation Association, will begin at 9 a.m. in the Illini Union building. The meeting is designed for irrigation equipment manufacturers, dealers, distributors, and farmers who are using irrigation systems or planning to adopt irrigation practices.

Program participants and discussion topics will be:

Allan W. McCulloch, Denver, Colo., equipment manufacturer's representative, on use of "big-gun sprinklers."

Harmon F. Smith, Urbana, Illinois State Water Survey, on sources of irrigation water.

Velmar Davis, Urbana, U.S. Department of Agriculture economist, on the economics of irrigation.

George E. McKibben, Robbs, Ill., U. of I. associate professor of agricultural research, on irrigation results at Dixon Springs.

Jack Bruin, field engineer for an Aurora, Ill., drilling company, on what a farmer should expect from a well driller.

Arnold Klute, University of Illinois soil physicist, on plant-soil-water relationships.

John F. Schrunk, Denver, Colo., irrigation engineer, on labor saving devices and methods in irrigation.

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Release: IMMEDIATE

CARBONDALE, ILL., March -- Tuition and fees for Illinois students will be increased $16 a term at Southern Illinois University beginning next fall, an increase of $48 annually.

The SIU board of trustees decided Thursday (March 14) to add $15 to quarterly tuition and fee assessments for Illinois residents, and students voted earlier to levy an additional $1 per term charge on themselves, effective next fall, for a Student Union Building Fund.

At the same time, the board voted a $100-a-year increase on out-of-state students.

The board action and the Student Union assessment will raise total costs to each Illinois student from $112.50 to $160.50 for the school year, and to out-of-state students from $202.50 to $305.50.

Board Chairman John Page Wham said the increases were in line with overall policy to increase state fees in general.

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Number 194 in a weekly series--"It Happened in Southern Illinois"--a series consisting of regional folklore and historical accounts suitable for feature, column or editorial use.

BELL SMITH SPRING PICNIC AREA
John W. Allen
Southern Illinois University

Weekend vacations will soon be in full swing in Southern Illinois, Many persons will be looking for a place where they may picnic for a day or even camp for a longer time. One of the numerous places available and easily accessible in the region is Bell Smith Spring on Hunting Branch in Pope county.

This spring is reached over an excellent gravel road leading west from Highway 145, about 12 miles south of Harrisburg. It also may be reached over another gravel road through the village of Eddyville farther along the state highway toward Golconda. It is an easy journey over either route and the drive itself is one of interest.

Those turning from the state highway toward the picnic area pass through stretches of natural forests and considerable areas of pine plantings made about 25 years ago. They look across rolling hills, and they glimpse abandoned and overgrown trails that were once roadways that still beckon the curious and venturesome. Along the way are many lingering signs of abandoned home sites. All these combine to keep the drive interesting.

Within a mile or so of the turn-around at the Natural Bridge section of the picnic area, a side road leads off to Hunting Branch. One may take this road or continue to the turn-around where well-arranged steps lead down to the valley's floor. Markers indicate these alternate routes.

The streams that converge near the Hunting Branch approach have nice rock-bottomed wading pools--some even deep enough for swimming. Between the pools are rocky shoals over which the waters ripple and chatter. Tulip, beech, oak, hickory and other trees shade the grounds. The rim of the valley and the sides, where not sheer rock, are covered with hardwood and cedar trees. Mosses, ferns, lichens and wildflowers in season are all about. The fresh green of some mosses and the ruddy blossoms of others are attractive as early as mid-March.

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Animal life is plentiful, including deer; the writer saw, six at one time on March 11. A very fortunate person may glimpse a wild turkey. Farther along the streams the careful and silent watcher may see a raccoon feeding at dusk. Comparatively rare birds are seen and heard. The pileated woodpecker, about the size of a crow, is one of these.

A nice feature of the Bell Smith picnic area is its practically unspoiled aspects. While it has not been given entirely "back to the Indians" (and apparently such is not planned), the valley remains much in the raw. There are no hot dog and concession stands. Some necessary picnic tables, benches, piped water, inconspicuous garbage pits, and comfort stations are there for the visitor's convenience. Stepping stones to cross the streams from side to side allow easy travel along the valley.

There are some objects that all visitors should see. One of these is the spring from which the area received its name. This spring is against the rock wall a short way below the cave or overhanging ledge at the Hunting Branch approach.

The Smith family was among the early settlers there. Their son, Bell the mother's family name--decided to carve his name on the rocky wall above the spring. Evidence indicates that he began with determination by carving a large "B". The task must have been more than he had expected, for as the lettering proceeded the size of the letters diminished and the name tapered off. The lettering was well and deeply done, however, and shows little weathering. By this carving of his name the boy gave the area its name.

Another object of interest that should not be omitted is the natural bridge farther along the stream. Viewed from the valley it is impressive. It spans about 125 feet, is 25 feet wide, more than 30 feet high and eight or ten feet thick at the key of the arch. Those who wish to reach the top of the bridge and walk along the brow of the bluff or over the arch may do so by climbing a flight of stone steps and a ladder. The ladder is made of 24 iron rungs set securely in the face of the bluff. It is a somewhat thrilling climb and well worth the effort.

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Sun from above, the top of the bridge is flat but the entire structure curves away from the fore of the bluff. One sunken spot in the top has collected some soil and leaf mold that supports a scrubby bush and some moss. During rainy spells a small rivulet falls over the bluff and flows beneath the arch of the bridge. A lot of rubble has fallen and lies beneath the arch.

In addition to the bridge there are other interesting rock formations. At many places, large blocks of stone have fallen from the bluffs and lie in grotesque patterns. Some of these, as such things so often are, have been named for the devil. At numerous places along the valley one finds overhanging ledges or caves where shelter may be had.

At one time the region of the spring had many settlers. Now the nearest house is quite distant. It is said that there is one within a mile or so across the hills but, generally speaking, the entire area is being turned back to forest.

Forty years ago when the writer was a scoutmaster, he camped here with a troop of Boy Scouts from Harrisburg, walking out from the railway station at Stonefort. It began to rain about the time the spring was reached and the rain continued almost all the two days spent there. Camp was made under the sheltering ledge on Hunting Branch. A roaring fire was kept going. Nevertheless, it was a sodden bunch, except in spirits.

Last week the Scoutmaster went back to revisit the scene. Once again it rained in torrents and he was drenched. Because the boys were not there, spirits were not nearly so high. To climax it all--and solely through carelessness--the car and trailer were stuck fast in the mud and help was required to get out. But we still say--visit the Bell Smith picnic area.

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

SIU COUNTRY COLUMN
by Albert Meyer

Many gardeners probably have started their first seedings of such early home garden crops as lettuce, radish, spinach, and set onions. Ardent fans of early gardening often try to get these cool weather crops into the soil near the middle of February, regardless of temperature or soil condtion. Others wait for more favorable conditions.

However, when the first warm days of March arrive, interest in gardening increases, and well it might, because the time then is near for planting these and such other crops as garden peas, cabbage, and related leafy vegetables. Early seedings of Irish potatoes also may be possible.

One of the problems of early spring gardening is to avoid working the soil while it is too wet. A good seed bed, important to success, is hard to prepare unless the soil has become dry enough to crumble easily when spaded and raked. This varies with the kind of soil and the drainage of the area.

William T. Andrew, vegetable specialist at Southern Illinois University, recommends using starter solutions when setting out vegetable and flower plants. They help the plants to begin growing vigorously. A starter solution is made by dissolving in water high analysis soluble fertilizers, marketed under various trade names. The characteristic of such a fertilizer is its high phosphorus content in relation to nitrogen and potassium, such as an analysis of 10-52-17.

Phosphorus is a necessary plant element that does not move through the soil. Consequently, it is not available to a new plant until roots are established and move to phosphorus in the soil. This lack of phosphorus caused a purplish or bluish tinge in the plant leaves often attributed to cold weather. The reason it is noticeable more frequently in plants set out in early spring

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is that root growth is slower and it takes the plant longer to be able to obtain its own phosphorus from the soil. Pouring a small portion of starter solution in the plant hole at time of transplanting settles the phosphorus about the roots for easy absorption and gives the plant a quick growth boost.

Is the farm tractor ready for stepped up spring field work? That's a good question for a farmer to ask himself just now, says Fred W. Roth, SIU agricultural engineer. The time is near to prepare fields for spring-planted crops. Usually weather conditions are so changeable at this season that a farmer cannot well afford to lose time for avoidable machinery repairs at a time when field conditions are right for work. Losing a good working day then may mean the loss of a week or more of time and upset the cropping schedule.

Any major repairs needed by the tractor or other farm machinery should have been completed by this time. Winter days of slack farm work is the time for doing such work in the farm shop.

However, there still is time to tune-up the tractor. Roth says this includes attention to the ignition system and to a few other matters, including engine compression. Check the battery connections. Clean the spark plugs and adjust the terminals so as to get the right clearance for a strong spark. Check the spark timing and adjust or replace the breaker points so as to get the best possible spark from the tractor's ignition system. A well-timed strong electric spark means more power and lower fuel consumption.

Engine compression also may be checked easily, he says. Good compression is highly important to obtaining full power and dollar value from the fuel consumed. Engine compression, or resistance, may be fairly accurately checked by hand cranking the motor after it has been warmed by running a few minutes. When the motor has been shut off, hand-turning the motor slowly will enable the operator to test the amount of uniformity and the resistance for each cylinder. Uneven cylinder compression may indicate leaky valves or worn piston rings and call for a repair job by a competent mechanic. The repairman will be more cooperative and do a better if he is not pushed for a hurry-up job when field work is waiting on the farm.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., Mar. -- Dates for six major tennis tournaments have been announced by the newly-organized Southern Illinois Lawn Tennis Association.

The dates include Murphysboro Open (Men's and Juniors), June 1-2; Olney Open (Men's, Juniors, Boys), June 8-9-10; Flora Open Tournament, July 4-7; Southern Illinois Lawn Tennis Association qualifying tournament (Juniors and Boys), July 13-14, at a site to be announced later; Southern Illinois Closed Tournament at Flora (Men's, Juniors, Boys), August 3-4; and Southern Illinois Open at Southern Illinois University (Men's, Juniors, Boys), August 9-10-11.

John R. (Dick) LeFevre, SIU tennis coach and president of the new organization, explained that the Junior division will include all those who were 18 or younger on Jan. 1, 1957, while the Boys' class includes all those 15 or younger on that date.

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(EDITORS: "Our Living Future", a two-hour program presented by the American Council to Improve Our Neighborhoods, will be in Carbondale next Friday, March 22. The following editorial has been prepared as a guide in case you should want to make some editorial mention of this event).

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CARBONDALE, ILL., MARCH -- A program at Southern Illinois University next Friday should illustrate what Gov. Stratton was talking about when he said Southern Illinois towns should "spruce themselves up" for industry.

The University is going to hold an Area Conference for Community Improvement, followed by an evening movie presented by the American Council to Improve Our Neighborhoods (ACTION). The movie, "Our Living Future", was produced by Life Magazine as a public service and is narrated in-person by News Analyst David Hardy.

What Gov. Stratton was referring to in his "spruce up" speech was physical improvement of towns. The more attractive a community is the more appealing it will be to industrialists who are considering a move.

Business executives are not interested in communities which are run down at the heels. Appearance of a town offers them a pretty good basis for sizing up the people who live there -- the people who would be the employees of a new industry. It's a fairly safe assumption that hard working, conscientious citizens will have a neat, progressive-looking town. If a town appears to be coming apart at the seams, however, something is wrong with the people who live there.

Across the country there are a lot of towns that seem to be going downhill because they are made up of indifferent citizens. On the other hand, there are a growing number of communities which are doing a good job of sprucing themselves up. State and federal agencies, big corporations, philanthropic foundations, universities and other groups and institutions are lending them financial support and free consulting services for such things as housing rehabilitation, urban renewal, slum clearance and area development.

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Southern Illinois cannot afford to lag behind other areas in this kind of endeavor. We need more industries and more tourist trade and more business capital.

People interested in the future of their community should therefore make it a point to attend the Area Conference on Community Improvement at 1 p.m. or, at least the "Our Living Future" movie at 8 p.m. at Southern Illinois University next Friday (March 22). There's no charge for the conference in the Southern Playhouse. The panoramic screen movie in Shyrock Auditorium is only 75 cents.

Let's see what other towns across the country are doing and decide how we stack up against them.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., March----Tests of General Educational Development will be administered to Illinois adults without charge April 5-6 at Southern Illinois University.

Each person to be tested should bring a letter from his high school principal indicating that the school will grant a diploma upon successful completion of the tests, according to Dr. Jack W. Graham, testing supervisor.

Tests will begin at 8 a.m. Friday, April 5, at the University Library Auditorium. A day and a half of testing is required.

GED tests are offered at Southern the first Friday and Saturday of each month.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- Gov. William Stratton and the State Budgetary Commission have agreed to recommend appropriation of $22,902,139 for operating Southern Illinois University during the 1957-59 biennium, SIU President D. W. Morris reported here today.

The new budget would provide $2,000,000 for salary adjustments and an increase of $309,200 for development of residence centers in the Madison-St. Clair County area.

It would be an $8,224,713 increase over operating expenses of $14,677,426 voted by the legislature for the current biennium. However, a recently approved $400,000 deficiency appropriation supplements funds budgeted for 1955-57 to sustain Southern until July 1.

"Southern Illinois University is indeed grateful for the continuing sympathy shown by the governor and the Budgetary Commission toward the financial problems caused by our growth as a university and by the heavy influx of new students," said President Morris.

He added that there was no report as yet concerning the capital improvements budget for Southern. Despite new construction, classes and offices still use nearly 170,000 square feet of space in temporary structures -- with such strange results that printing classes and the wrestling team share the same quonset hut.

The budget approved by Gov. Stratton was $2,942,000 less than the University had requested. The appropriation asked by Southern included $2,109,000 for salary adjustments and $889,200 for Madison-St. Clair County residence centers.

Largest single item in the budget proposed by the governor is $16,085,243 for personal services, up from $10,882,243 allowed for the biennium which will end June 30. The $16,085,243 includes $200,000 from the SIU income fund and represents more than 70 percent of the total operating budget.

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To meet the cost of Southern's rapid growth, the new budget would provide $1,442,868 for anticipated enrollment increases during the next two years; $899,219 to correct inadequacies in appropriations for past enrollment increases, and $300,000 in new funds for rehabilitation and reconstruction of old buildings--a total of $2,642,087. The University had requested $3,846,400 for these purposes.

Also included in the governor's recommendation are appropriations of $300,000 to provide a backlog of books for the new SIU library, and $170,000 to put the new Agriculture Building and other new structures into operation.

For improving educational offerings, the new budget would allocate $1,396,844 for increasing effectiveness of existing programs, and $299,480 for new programs and major extensions of present programs.

The governor will recommend to the legislature an appropriation increase of more than $1,000,000 to be ear-marked for continuance of current University operations. A breakdown shows $800,000 to continue for two more years budget increases required during 1955-57; $100,000 for placing previous temporary appropriations on a permanent basis, and $108,600 for placing on a permanent basis projects now supported temporarily by outside grants.

There has been no announcement of the date on which the governor will present his budgetary message.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., March--Two Southern Illinois University debate teams were among four finishing in a tie for the Illinois State College Debate Tournament championship in Chicago Saturday (March 16). It was the first time in the 22-year history of the tournament that SIU won.

SIU's consistently winning twosome of Richard Rieke, Carbondale, and Joseph Selement, DuQuoin, shared top honors with Ted Foster, Mt. Vernon, and Peter Morris, Carbondale, as well as teams from Wheaton College and Greenville College.

Following the tournament SIU Coach Walter Murrish announced that Selement and Rieke, who have won five out of the six meets they have entered this season, will be the University's representatives in the West Point Regional eliminations at Purdue University April 24-27. The five winners will go to the national tournament at the U.S. Military Academy in April.

At Chicago, Selement and Rieke defeated Bradley University, Northern Illinois, North Central College, Augustana and Wheaton, losing only to the University of Illinois. Morris and Foster defeated Shurtleff College, the University of Illinois, Northwestern University, Northern Illinois and Wheaton. Their single loss was to Greenville.

Rieke was named the tournament's outstanding debater, an honor he has won for three consecutive years. Marsha Wiehn of DuQuoin, who teamed with Regina Miller, DuQuoin, for a third place finish in the women's division, was named second best woman speaker.

The tournament successes gave SIU a season record of 184 victories against 66 defeats in team competition.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., March--Edward E. Lindsay, editor of Lindsay-Schaub Newspapers and president of the American Council on Education for Journalism, will be an Elijah P. Lovejoy lecturer in journalism April 9-11 at Southern Illinois University.

After two days of visiting SIU journalism classes and meeting informally with students at coffee sessions, Lindsay will speak at a 10 a.m. freshman convocation Thursday (April 11) in Shryock Auditorium.

A native of Decatur and grandson of a pioneer Illinois journalist, Lindsay has been in the newspaper business since 1923, when he began working for the Decatur Herald.

The group of Illinois newspapers which he edits includes the Decatur Herald and Review, Champaign-Urbana Courier, East St. Louis Journal, and Southern Illinoisan.

A past vice-president of the Associated Press, Lindsay has been a member of the advisory committee of the American Press Institute for three years. He also is vice-president in charge of undergraduate chapter affairs for Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic fraternity.

Lovejoy lectureships were instituted at SIU in 1952 by Dr. Howard R. Long, journalism department chairman.

Lecturers have included Hal Boyle, Associated Press columnist; Hodding Carter, publisher of the Greenville, Miss., Delta Democrat-Times; H. Clay Tate, editor of the Bloomington, Ill., Pantagraph; Basil L. Walters, executive editor of Knight Newspapers; the late Charles H. Campbell, director of British Information Services in Washington, D. C.; and Charles C. Clayton, past national president of Sigma Delta Chi, now a visiting professor of journalism at Southern.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., March--Southern Illinois University's baseball team opens a 33-game schedule this week with a nine-game exhibition tour of the South (Mar. 21-30).

Seven of the games will be in Louisiana as Southern, starting with a three-game series against Southwestern Louisiana at Lafayette March 21. The Salukis will move to Northwestern Louisiana at Natchitoches March 25 for another three contests.

A single game against Louisiana Tech at Ruston is slated for March 28. A March 29 game against Mississippi Delta (Cleveland) and a March 30 tilt against Arkansas State (Jonesboro) rounds out the series.

Southern's home schedule is one of its biggest and best in history with 16 of the regular season's 24 tilts slated for Carbondale. Home games feature an opener against St. Louis University April 5, a double-header against the University of Illinois April 6, single games against Bradley University May 31 and June 1, and double-headers with three conference opponents: Western Illinois, Eastern Michigan, and Illinois Normal.

SIU has only seven lettermen returning, but should be tough on the mound and behind the plate as five of these are catchers and pitchers.

Returning catchers are John Orlando, Overland, Mo., and J. W. Sanders, Mt. Vernon, who alternated behind the plate last season. Orlando batted .289 and Sanders .238.

Pitchers back this season include the three top flingers from last year: Captain Gordon Lambert, Marion; Ronnie Ayres, Flora; and Donald Gibbs, Farmersville.

Ayres last season had an earned run average of 2.26, while Lambert averaged 2.42. In conference games, Ayres had a 2.03 mark, compared to 2.04 for Lambert.

Only other lettermen back this year are outfielder Norby Vogel, Waterloo, SIU's leading hitter in 1956 with a .348 mark, and third baseman Roger Buyan, Dowell, who batted .230.

Southern had a 12-7 record in regular season play last year and finished second in the Interstate Conference with an 8-4 record. (more)

Coach Glenn (Abe) Martin, while not "singing the blues," does wonder where his "long ball" will come from this season with Vogel and Orlando about his only known long-distance hitters.

Among the missing will be 1956 captain Ray Tabacchi, hard-hitting shortstop from Auburn, who graduated last year.

All around, however, Martin believes his infield will be just as strong as last year's defensively, but he isn't sure yet about the hitting. Weather had kept most of the Salukis spring drills indoors so Martin hasn't had much opportunity to test his players at the plate.

Outfield positions pose the greatest problems of the moment with only Vogel assured of a spot.

Among the many newcomers are Wayne Hoffman, second baseman from Memphis, Tenn. (929 Kelly Rd.); Ken Braden, catcher from St. Louis (3833 Texas); Roger McKnight, pitcher from Flora; Richard "Itchy" Jones, shortstop from Herrin; Don Taylor, East St. Louis, an outfielder who transferred from Illinois Wesleyan; Harland Scheibal, freshman infielder from Collinsville, and Ed Bertrand, infielder from Kankakee.

Some of the most promising returnees are infielders Ken Monschein, Staunton, and Richard Dillinger, East St. Louis.

Southern's complete 1957 schedule:

SPRING TOUR

March 21-22-23--Southwestern La.; March 25-26-27--Northwestern La.; March 28-Louisiana Tech.; March 29--Delta State (Miss.); March 30--Arkansas State.

REGULAR SEASON

April 5--St. Louis University, here; April 6--University of Illinois, here (2); April 9--at Evansville College; April 13--at Northern Illinois (2); April 17--Taylor University, here; April 20--at Eastern Illinois (2); April 26--Western Illinois, here (2); April 30--Evansville College, here.

May 4--at Central Michigan (2); May 7--at Washington University (Mo.); May 10 Eastern Michigan, here (2); May 17--Memphis State, here; May 18--SIU Alumni, here; May 20--Arkansas State, here; May 25--Illinois Normal, here (2); May 31--June 1--Bradley University, here.

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SIU SPORTS BRIEFS

CARBONDALE, ILL., MAR. -- Central Michigan College, undefeated in 32 straight dual meets, will be the favorite in the first annual NAIA (National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics) swimming meet set for the Southern Illinois University pool Saturday (Mar. 23).

Among the other schools entered are East Carolina, Western Illinois, Beloit College, and Illinois Wesleyan.

Preliminaries will be held Saturday morning and afternoon with finals Saturday night, according to meet director William Heusner, SIU swimming coach.

Final deadline for teams to enter is Thursday (Mar. 21).

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CARBONDALE, ILL., MAR. -- Southern Illinois University's gymnastic team finished a strong third at the Western Illinois Invitational meet at Macomb Saturday (Mar. 16).

Western Illinois won the meet with 196 points followed by Ball State 122, SIU 93.5, Kansas State 72, and Eastern Illinois 14.5

Southern's best showing was in the long horse, where Julius Johnson, St. Louis, and Jerry Oettle, Hardin, tied for first with Western's Morris Hicks.

Other SIU place-winners were Gene Salmon, Grayville, seventh in the long horse, seventh in the free exercise, third in side horse, seventh in all-around, tenth in horizontal bar, eighth in parallel bars; Oettle, eighth in all-around, third in horizontal bar, third in still rings, fourth in flying rings; Johnson, sixth in parallel bars, second in parallel bars, sixth in all-around, and tie for ninth in side horse.

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Bill Francoeur, Kankakee, ninth in horizontal bar; Kelly Smith, Cisne, ninth in side horse; Bill Ballester, Kankakee, fifth in trampoline; Jim Haas, Pocahontas, tenth in flying rings, and Bob Hauser, Cottage Hills, seventh in tumbling.

Bill Black of Ball State was all-around champion, edging out Morris Hicks of Western Illinois.

SIU's gymnastic team closes its season with a dual meet at Western Illinois Apr. 5.

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CHAMPAIGN, ILL., MAR. -- Gathering spot for all former Southern Illinois University students attending the state prep basketball finals here this weekend will be suite 638 of the Inman Hotel.

SIU Alumni President Robert Odaniell says he is hoping for a large turnout for this informal reunion. The suite will open Thursday evening (Mar. 21) and remain open throughout the tournament.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., March -- In exchange for research opportunities, Southern Illinois University plans to set up a training program for staff personnel at the Illinois State Training School for Girls at Geneva.

Ernest J. Simon, dean of the SIU Division of Technical and Adult Education, said a team of faculty specialists will be assigned to the program after a survey of the school's needs has been made. Keith Humble, director of the Vocational-Technical Institute at SIU, has been named to head the survey.

Miss Mary L. Shaughnessy, superintendent of the Geneva institution, requested the program as a means of improving training efficiency and determining "what happens to the girls after they leave Geneva". She said the school's corrective procedures have been handicapped by a lack of information about former inmates.

Attending an organizational meeting with SIU President Delyte Morris was State Sen. R. G. Crisenberry, chairman of the Advisory Committee to the Correctional Services Division of the Illinois Youth Commission. Morris promised that the program, to be handled by the Division of Technical and Adult Education, would be implemented as soon as Humble has completed the initial survey.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., MAR. -- Two Southern Illinois University faculty artists have received honors in two major exhibitions.

"Seated Woman," an aquatint by Printmaker Elliot Elgart was accepted for the Northwest Printmakers' 29th International Exhibition being held at the Seattle Art Museum through April 7.

A stoneware vase by Eugene Bunker, head of the SIU pottery section, was given one of 12 honor awards in the Midwest Designer Craftsmen exhibit in Chicago. Three pieces by Bunker were accepted for the show. The honor award winners will be given individual showings during the coming year at the Chicago Art Institute.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- The Illinois Speech Association thinks it's about time somebody paid tribute to modern-day orators in the land of Lincoln, Stephen A. Douglas and William Jennings Bryan.

Dr. Paul Hunsinger of Southern Illinois University, president of the Association, announced today that a Speaker of the Year Award will be made at the organization's annual meeting next November.

"Too much emphasis is placed on the rich rhetorical past of Illinois," said Hunsinger. "The time has come when we should honor the outstanding speakers of our state whose voices are still being heard in the living present."

Hunsinger, an associate professor of speech, wouldn't commit himself on possible nominations.

The nominees can be either men or women who are currently being heard in politics, the arts, education, business, government or the professions, and they must be Illinois citizens.

Nomination blanks are being sent out to Illinois speech teachers and will be due by May 1, Hunsinger said. The winner will be announced at the annual get-together of Illinois speech teachers at Illinois Normal University Nov. 8-9.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., March -- A fourth-grade social science textbook written by two Southern Illinois University professors will be published within a year by Benefic Press, A Chicago publishing company.

The book is forst in an "Americans All" series to be authored by Dr. Floyd F. Cunningham, geography department chairman, and Dr. Clarence D. Samford, professor of education.

"Basic purpose of the series is to integrate geography, history, economics, and government on a level that will be easily understood by elementary pupils," Dr. Samford said. The books will include many illustrations, some in color.

Dr. Samford also is co-author of a college textbook, "Social Studies in the Secondary School" and is writing "Social Studies in the Elementary School" in collaboration with Dr. Victor E. Randolph, another professor of education at Southern.

A world Traveler, Dr. Cunningham has served three terms as president of the National Council of Geography Teachers. During World War II, he was a war analyst, and in 1953-54 was in Egypt on a Fulbright lectureship. He has written two laboratory manuals in geography for college students.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- A five-match spring tour of the South highlights the Southern Illinois University tennis team's schedule announced this week.

Southern opens a 14-meet regular-season slate by hosting Missouri School of Mines here April 5. Other home meets will be against Washington University (St. Louis) April 18, Murray State May 2, Illinois May 11, and St. Louis University May 18.

Highlights of the away schedule are an April 27 tilt against the University of Iowa and a May 4 engagement at the United States Air Force Academy at Denver, Colorado.

Included in the spring exhibition tour are Memphis State (March 20), University of Alabama (March 21), Maxwell Air Force Base (March 22), Pensacola Naval Air Station (March 23), and Vanderbilt University (March 25).

The six SIU players competing in the spring trip include four lettermen, Jerry Gruen and Don McRaven, Granite City; Jim Jarrett, Decatur; and Jim Shanklin, Collinsville.

Rounding out the squad are two Granite City men, freshman Ron Underwood, an outstanding prospect who won several titles in Southern Illinois last year, and Al Rowden, who re-entered college in January after a four-year tour in the Air Force.

Southern won five and lost five last season, finishing a strong third in the Interstate Conference meet.

Regular season schedule: April 5--Missouri School of Mines, here; April 12--at Eastern Illinois; April 13--at Indiana State; April 18--Washington University, here; April 20--at Murray State; April 26--at Bradley University; April 27--at State University of Iowa; May 2--Murray State, here; May 4--at U.S. Air Force Academy; May 11--Illinois Normal, here; May 18--St. Louis University, here; May 24-25--Interstate Conference meet at Eastern Illinois; and June 12--NAIA meet at Beaumont, Texas.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- Thanks to two swimmers, Southern Illinois University has never lost a diving event in its three-year history.

The two who have built up this remarkable record against some powerful teams are Bruce Coleman, West Frankfort, and Roger Counsil, Wood River.

Southern began swimming as a varsity sport in 1955 and since that time has copped first in diving in 25 dual meet events. In addition, SIU won first in diving at the Interstate Conference meet at Western Illinois two weeks ago.

The last big test facing Southern's diving duo is the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) first annual swimming meet set for the SIU pool here Saturday (March 23).

Both Coleman and Cousil have split about evenly in their diving victories, often edging out the other by very narrow margins.

Despite the keenness of competition, both Coleman and Cousil are extremely close friends and have no resentment against the other one knocking him out of "firsts".

"You see," explained Cousil, "it has helped us both. Our stiff competition is not just at an occasional meet but every day in our workouts."

Coleman agreed that the rivalry is good. "And another thing," he pointed out, "is that we can give tips to each other and can point out weaknesses. We're our own critics."

Southern's Coach Bill Heusner is quite pleased with the friendly duel between his divers. "It's comforting to know," explained Heusner, "that if one is a bit off in his dives, the other is almost sure to win."

Neither Cousil nor Coleman participated in competitive diving until entering college.

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CARBONDALE, ILL. March -- A thousand teen-age girls will see styles, take tours, and sip tea Saturday (March 30) at Southern Illinois University during annual High School Home Economics Day.

Invitations have been extended high school junior and senior girls in the state's 31 southernmost counties, according to Dr. Eileen Quigley, SIU Home Economics Department chairman.

Registration at 9:30 a.m. will precede a welcoming address by Southern's President Delyte W. Morris in Shryock Auditorium. Students will present a skit depicting careers in home economics, and the SIU Air Force ROTC "Singing Squadron" will perform.

Conferences on enrollment, housing, and activities will be followed by a 12:15 p.m. luncheon at University Cafeteria. Campus tours will begin an hour later, and the program will be concluded with a style show at Shryock Auditorium and a tea in the Woody Hall Formal Lounge.

SIU students who will participate, listed by home towns, include:

BENTON: Joan Phillips, tea
CAIRO: Betty Lou Verble (416 20th), Girls Rally president, tours
CARBONDALE: Patricia Dey, activities
CENTRALIA: Shirley Whitchurch, (Rt. 2), registration; Shirley Chambers (146 Pullen Blvd.), skit
DECATUR: Beverly Moore, (165 W. Pershing), activities
EDGEWOOD: Le Etta Smith, fashion show
ELMHURST: Alice Vette, (N. York Rd.), activities
GRANITE CITY: Shirley Morelan (2420 Center), activities
LA GRANGE: Jeanne Barbour (75 S. 7th), activities
MT. VERNON: Roberta Lisenby (513 E. Harrison), skit
MULBERRY GROVE: Doris Snow, skit
MURPHYSBORO: Sara Lovan, activities
ODIN: Sue Prahl, skit
ROSEVILLE: Anna Curtis, fashion show
ZEIGLER: Phyllis Bubnas, skit and fashion show

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- Two Southern Illinois University coeds departed Friday (March 22) for Lima, Peru, for nine months of study at San Marcos University under a Benjamin Franklin scholarship from that institution.

They are Marge Kloeckner, sophomore from Germantown, and Betty Seip, Thebes, a graduate student who has been teaching for the last two and one-half years. Both are majors in Spanish. While studying at San Marcos University they will teach English language at Colegio Peruano-Norteamericano "Benjamin Franklin."

Miss Seip has been teaching for the past six months at Carrollton, Illinois. Her other two years of teaching were at Bath, Illinois.

The Benjamin Franklin scholarships, provided for selected Spanish majors at SIU, were established by Victor Moya-Mendez, Peruvian educator and former SIU student.

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Carbondale, Ill. March -- Eighteen businessmen from Western Europe will be in Southern Illinois for three days next week for industrial tours and conferences with business executives and Southern Illinois University educators.

The foreign visitors were sent to this country for six weeks by the European Productivity Agency under the auspices of the International Cooperation Administration to study American production methods and employee training programs.

They will inspect a number of industrial installations in this area Tuesday (March 26), including the Norge plant at Herrin, Prairie Farms Creamery at Carbondale, and factories in the Ordill industrial area before attending a 6 p.m. dinner meeting of the Southern Illinois, Inc., boardof directors at Crab Orchard Court.

J. C. Chissom, regional representative of the Small Business Administration, and William Abbott of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, will address the group at a meeting Wednesday.

Arriving by bus at 6 p.m. Sunday (March 24), the European businessmen will be housed in an SIU dormitory at Thompson Point. On Monday morning, they will be greeted by SIU President D. W. Morris at a conference on the campus.

Dr. W.J. Tudor, director of Area Services, will preside at the meeting and discuss the University's services to small business. Other speakers will be Ralph Bedwell, director of Southern's Small Business Institute; Dr. Walter Wills, professor of agricultural economics; Dean Henry Rehn of the School of Business and Industry, and Richard W. Poston, director of the department of community development.

Monday afternoon, the group will inspect the University's Vocational-Technical Institute. After their tour of industrial plants on Tuesday, the visitors will remain overnight in private homes at Herrin.

Chissom and Abbott will talk to the Productivity Agency team members when they return to the University Wednesday morning. Chissom will describe SBA operations in this area and Abbott will speak on Federal Reserve Bank assistance to business.

The visitors will leave for Chicago by train at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday. They have visited Columbus, O., Pittsburgh and Indianapolis and will make stops in Boston and Sanford, Maine, before returning to Washington.

W. E. Philpott, ICA project manager, will accompany the Europeans here. The ICA said discussions following SIU conferences and plant tours would center on distribution and market research; production management, including human relations; organization and financing of business, and the role of government agencies and business associations.

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ALL FOOLS DAY IS SINGULAR

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Folk sayings have settled several things about the month of April. For instance, the number of frosts for the month will be the same as the number of times it thundered in January. Girls born during this month will grow up to be industrious women particularly devoted to their homes. Also, April boys will become jealous men, but otherwise good husbands.

If hickory timber is cut during the month, it will become badly worm eaten. This also is held equally true of that cut during the month of May. Bountiful crops of muskmelons may be expected from April plantings if they are made while the sign is in Cancer. To assure the best growth, lettuce should be planted on the fourth day of the month and potatoes on the tenth, which is the 100th day after the New Year. In leap years this would require that potatoes be planted on the ninth. Oats planted after the tenth will definitely "grow to straw."

With the above items disposed of, there remains the major and strange one of All Fools Day, April 1. One is puzzled to know how such a singular observance came about, how widely accepted it is, and how long the practice has survived.

The observance of this day, like some others, apparently had no definite beginning, it just grew up. As early as the year 1200 there was a day of jokes and buffoonery in France, during a part of which the participants over ran the churches in a somewhat irreverent way. The feast of Huli in India has been observed for centuries on March 31 of each year. On the day of this feast tricks are played and gullible persons are sent on foolish errands.

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As early as 1700 the custom of observing a fool's day was practiced in Britain. In Scotland it was called Gowk Day for the gowk or cuckoo that they considered as the silliest of the bird family. Jokesters would send someone to the butcher for such an item as a gill of pigeon milk, or to the shoemaker for some strap oil. In the latter case the shoemaker administered a few strokes of a strap to the astonished and unsuspecting caller. Always a group would gather to see the "gowk" return from his round of silly missions.

Perhaps one of the largest mass jokes ever indulged was on April 1, 1860. A London paper on the previous day had carried an announcement that all who appeared at the White Gate to the Tower of London at a stated time the next day would receive free passes to the tower and be privileged to see a special bathing of the white lions of the tower. At the appointed time hundreds of cabs rattled about looking for the nonexistent gate and the equally mythical lions. Who says the British have no sense of humor?

Observance of the day began early in America where it is universally recognized, within recent years an advertisement offering to buy black cats appeared in a metropolitan paper. Scores of them were brought to the vacant address given. On April 1, 1946 the Bronx zoo received 2708 telephone calls for Mr, Fish, Mr. Camel and even for Mr. L. E. Fant. These were in response to an "if interested call Mr. _____ at the number given below."

Considering such massjokes, it is not strange that boys who at other times are determined to become presidents or great baseball players, dismiss their abiding ambitions for one day and spend it playing harmless tricks. Purses with concealed strings will be quickly drawn away by hidden boys who will guffaw at the unsuspecting finder who stoops to retrieve it. Other lost objects will be found securely nailed down. "Goodness! What's that on your cheek? No, the other one." Then, "April fool."

Strange explanations are offered to account for the practice. One would connect the bootless mission, the run-around to the Annas, to Caiphus, to Pilate, to Herod and back to Pilate, who had the responsibility for determining the guilt and punishment of Christ. Another explanation would connect All Fools Day with the ancient observance of the New Year that then occurred in late March. Neither of these, however, is very satisfactory.

This singular observance of an All Fools' Day or special day for playing jokes is widely distributed over the world. It is frequently found among primitive peoples. All this indicates that it is very old. Another common feature of the day is that the resentment indicated at being fooled is less on this special day.

One thing, however, should be remembered concerning the day. It ends at noon. After that -- "April Fool done is past

And you're the biggest fool at last".

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

SIU COUNTRY COLUMN
By Albert Meyer

Farmers at this season are beginning to watch with anticipation the progress of their pastures because the season is nearly here when livestock can be turned out to graze, cutting down the expense and work of winter feeding.

Livestock finds just about as much pleasure in the anticipation of feeding on succulent new forage in spring pasture as does the farmer in being able to turn the animals into the fields. This is the time of year when the green plants are fresh, palatable, and contain a high percentage of digestible food materials. The dairy animal responds by giving a more bountiful flow of milk, and the steer calves that have been "roughed" through the winter become more sleek.

For the good of the pasture or meadow--and of the livestock--farmers well may be cautioned against turning the livestock into the fields too soon in the spring. First, turning in the animals when the fields are excessively wet may damage the turf and make the field rough for later use. Secondly, the grass and legume plants need a good starting growth before grazing begins. It is a good idea to let plants grow to nearly six inches in height in a good pasture before grazing so that the livestock will get plenty of forage and the plants will have sufficient vigor to come back rapidly after being grazed down. The idea of strip-grazing is highly recommended in pasture management circles.

When beef and dairy cattle are turned into legume pastures that are fresh and lush, the problem of bloating often arises. There are indications that some cattle are more susceptible to bloating than others, but that is not the problem of discussion here. There also is no hard and fast rule about the right time for grazing to avoid bloat when pasturing legume pastures. Some believe bloating is more likely if the plants are wet with dew in the morning or evening. Others have found bloating prevalent in the heat of the day. There still are many unanswered questions about the problem of bloat.

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Pastures of straight legumes, especially alfalfa and clover, frequently cause grazing cattle to bloat. The condition arises from an accumulation of gases produced by the fermentation process that goes on in the rumen (or paunch) of the cow as it is feeding. Excessive extension of the rumen may cause paralysis of its walls. Pressure on vital body organs and absorption of toxic gases may cause death, if not relieved.

As a cow--particularly a hungry cow--greedily munches the fresh legume plants they are easily churned into a soft, pliable mass by the rumen which contains a considerable quantity of liquid for mixing and starting the breakdown process coarse forage which the cow may swallow.

Regular elimination of the fermentation gas by belching is necessary to prevent bloating. This belching often is retarded or stopped entirely by the softness of the mass of fresh legumes in the rumen. Consequently, the gass accumulates and builds up pressure.

Evidence points to stimulation of nerves in the rumen walls as an essential cause of belching. Blades of grass or stems of coarse roughage perform this important function of stimulation.

This points to several possibilities for preventing bloat in cattle which are turned onto legume pastures. One good preventive measure is to give cattle a good feed of dry hay before they are turned out to pasture. This keeps them from being too hungry and they will not gulp the fresh legume forage too greedily. It also puts some coarse forage into the rumen to keep the grazed material from packing too tightly and to keep stimulating the rumen walls so that the animal will continue belching. Providing dry hay in a rack or stack in the pasture where the animals may feed at will is a good practice.

Another good practice is to include such grasses as timothy, brome, or orchard grass with the legumes in the seeding mixture when planting forage crops for pasture. Allowing some dead grain stubble or dead forage to remain on the field so that the animal will pick some of it in grazing legumes will be helpful.

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Dr. Donald G. Hileman, associate professor of journalism at Southern Illinois University, will speak on "The Role of Advertising in a Retailer's Operation" Thursday (Mar. 21) at a meeting of the Flora Chamber of Commerce.

The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. in the Flora American Legion Home.

A native of Anna, Hileman has been on the SIU faculty since 1955, when he left a teaching position in business administration at Washington State College.

After serving three years in the Navy during World War II, he obtained a master's degree and a doctorate at the University of Illinois.

Hileman is secretary of the Illmoky Advertising Club and has been active in promoting the tourist industry in Southern Illinois.

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News from Bill Lewis
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Dr. Donald G. Tillman, executive producer of journalism at Southern Illinois University, will speak on "The Role of Advertising in a Satisfactory Operation" Thursday (Mar. 24) at a meeting of the Illinois Chamber of Commerce.

The meeting will begin at 1 p.m. in the Pierre Marion Legion Home.

A native of Iowa, Tillman has been on the SIU faculty since 1952, when he left a teaching position in business administration at Washington State College.

After serving three years in the Navy during World War II, he obtained a master's degree and a doctorate at the University of Illinois.

Tillman is secretary of the Illinois Advertising Club and has been active in promoting the tourist industry in Southern Illinois.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., March -- A contest for high school bookkeeping students and part-time job tests for prospective Southern Illinois University students will be held during "Education-for-Business Day" at SIU (Saturday) March 30.

The day-long affair for senior business students and teachers from Southern Illinois high schools is aimed at updating delegates on careers, training programs, education and job opportunities in accounting, economics, management, marketing and secretarial science. The program is sponsored by the SIU School of Business.

Bookkeeping competition, a written test, is open to individual and team entries. The secretarial tests are designed to determine the capabilities of SIU-bound students who may want jobs as secretaries or stenographers under the University's extensive student employment program.

SIU home economics students will present a style show and tea for delegates at the conclusion of the afternoon program.

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Attending the conference were (by counties):

ADAMS: Floyd R. Dohley, Clayton; Floria Ahnell and Thomas Vannier, Quincy
BOND: David Meyer, Tamalco.
BROWN: Rosanne Ormond, Timewell; Edward Redmond and Barbara K. Ryan, Mt. Sterling; Marvin Schrieber, Versailles.
BUREAU: Marlyn Pierson, Arlington; Mr. and Mrs. Harold B. Pierson, and Mrs. Arthur E. Swanson, Princeton.
CHAMPAIGN: Donna Miller (1216 Church), Betty Munds (717 S. Randolph), Mrs. Keith Turner (Route 4), and Charles F. Wendt (Route 1), all of Champaign
CLARK: Paul B. Campbell and Albert Vernon Macey, Martinsville; Gerald Robinson, Marshall; Larry Wells, West Union.
CLAY: Jabez Coggan, Jr., Route 3, Clay City; Merle E. Mearns Louisville.
CLINTON: Mary Jo Hilmes, Route 1, Breese; Emma Schmeink, Route 5, Carlyle.
COLES: R. E. Hassinger, Charleston; William Price, Route 1, Humboldt; Robert Rathe and Joseph Speer (Route 1), Mattoon.
CUMBERLAND: William Eugene Justice and Howard Sparlin, Toledo.
DeKALB: Russell Hueber and Eugene Swanson, Kingston; Marion Hahn and David Parisot, Leland.
DOUGLAS: Joan Breen, Ken Cheatham, Lloyd Ashwill (Route 3), and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rahn (Route 2), all of Tuscola.
DUPAGE: Joyce Landmeier, Route 1, West Chicago; David Johanson, Route 2, West Chicago.
EDWARDS: Lloyd Lambert and Harold Roosevelt (Route 2), Albion; Robert C. Matthes, West Salem.
EFFINGHAM: Norma Priess, Effingham (404 South 5th). Dale Wachtel, Altamont, Route 2.
FAYETTE: Delila Nobbe, Vandalia (324 1/3 Gallatin Street).
FULTON: June Barnes, Canton (153 West Vine St.); Eldon L. Miller, Smithfield.
GALLATIN: Sue Bradley, Dale Drane, Dolores Hannah, Mary Mossman and Joan Wargel Ridgway; Mildred Shea, Junction.
HANCOCK: Dwight Davis, and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Curtis, Carthage.
HENDERSON: Rose Marie Brennan, and Larry Dowell, Stronghurst.
JACKSON: Lavern Dietz, DeSoto; Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Hand, Carbondale.
JASPER: Bernard Rudolphi, and Harold Kocher, (Route 3) Newton.
JEFFERSON: Mary Kiefer, Belle Rive; Thomas McPherson, Route 3, Mt. Vernon.
KANE: Dorothy Wurtz, Route 1, Batavia.
KANKAKEE: Gene Novack, Grant Park.
KENDALL: Paul Monkemeyer, Plano.
KNOX: William Johnson, Route 1, Rio; Bonnie Nelson, Galesburg (191 North Prairie St.).
LAWRENCE: Donald Kimmel, Route 3, Lawrenceville.
LEE: Francis and Margaret Bybee, Amboy; Eugene and Theodora Pohl, Compton.
LIVINGSTON: John Baumann (1401 S. Oak), and Rosie Nolan (403 W. Reynolds), Pontiac.
LOGAN: Donald Huneke, Lincoln (403 Willard); Dorothy Laun, Route 1, Atlanta.
McDONOUGH: Luan Doll, Bushnell.
MCLEAN: Gerald Bedell, Ellsworth; Lois Diezel (407 E. Market), and Marcella Naber (512½ Denver), Bloomington; Wally Norris, Route 4, Normal; Roger Hill, Downs; Eugene Simpson, Farmer City.
MADISON: Norma Klueter, Edwardsville; James and Jacqueline Barth, Highland.
MARION: Robert Ford and Sammy Lowe.
MONROE: Charles Juelfs, Prairie du Rocher; Eugene Matzenbacher, and JoAnn Miller (Route 3), Waterloo.
MORGAN: Eldred Ehlert, Bluffs; Richard Norfleet, Alexander.
OGLE: Jerry Adams, Holcomb; Loren E. Richolson, Davis Junction.
PEORIA: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kendall, Route 1, Elmwood; Shirley Polhemus, Hanna City.

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PIKE: Gerald Bennett and Frank Turnbull, Griggsville; Mrs. Edith Cox, William H. Cox, William McCartney, and Marilyn Ransom, Pittsfield.
PULASKI: Mary Ruth Lutz.
RANDOLPH: James W. Boyd, Coulterville; Sally Fulton and Robert McMurtry, Sparta.
ST. CLAIR: Leah Erlinger, Route 1, Caseyville; Peter Linzmaier, Belleville (2600 South 59th).
SALINE: John and Genevieve Alvey, Eldorado; Mary Margaret Small, Galatia.
SANGAMON: Robert McDevitt, New Berlin; Teddy Roth, Sherman.
SHELBY: Bert Fringer, Assumption.
STEPHENSON: James Brandt, and Norman Rosenstill, Pearl City; Virgil Swalve, Forreston.
TAZEWELL: Pat Graff, Washington (800 Hilldale); Joyce Rapp, Tremont; Virgil Riechman, Pekin (116 South Cap).
VERMILION: George Ford, Sidell; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Leigh, East Lynn; Marjorie Rudolph, Route 5, Danville.
WABASH: Frank Pixley and Duane Smith, West Salem; Norman Tenne, Mt. Carmel.
WARREN: Howard Butler, Route 1, Monmouth.
WASHINGTON: Rudolph Glazik, Route 1, Ashley; Dolores Ostendorf, Route 1, Okawville; Thomas Schroeder, Richview; Norman Karg, Coutlerville.
WHITE: James and Betty Ridenour, Crossville.
WOODFORD: Jack Kuntz, Goodfield.

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CARBONDALE ILL., March--Ancient and ultra-modern themes in creative art will be highlighted in the first feature attractions of Southern Illinois University's Festival of Fine Arts opening here March 31 Sunday.

Following a Monday morning (April 1) lecture on "The Conservative Nature of Primitive Art" by Dr. Roy Sieber, professor of art at the State University of Iowa, the famed Henry Street Playhouse Company, Alwin Nikolais' unconventional modern dance group, will give an 8:15 p.m. performance of the dance-satire, "The Bewitched." Both programs will be held in Shryock Auditorium.

"The Bewitched," by musical experimentor, Henry Partch, will feature the Henry Street troup in a choreographic study carried out against the background of Partch's "new music"--music played on such Partch-invented instruments as the Chromelodeon, Marimba Eroica, Cloud Chamber Bowls (sections of Pyrex bowls played with felt hammers), the Kithara (a 72-stringed instrument played with sliding glass rods) and the Spoils of War (a rack of bowls and metal tubes).

The dance group itself is just as startlingly inventive as the composer. Nikolais' choreography involves such props as boxes, polies, ropes, movable screens, discs and other gadgets, employed by "dehumanized" dancers. The effect is one of sculpture in motion, in which movement is "functionally conceived" to convey drama by itself.

The Festival begins officially at 3:30 p.m. March 31 with opening addresses by Burnett Shryock, dean of the School of Fine Arts, and SIU President Delyte W. Morris preceding a vesper program in Shryock Auditorium. The program will feature the University Choir, directed by Richard Miller.

The Festival Exhibition of primitive African Sculpture and contemporary American painting and sculpture opens at 4:30 p.m. in Allyn Art Gallery.

All Festival attractions are free to the public.

2) The remainder of the festival program:

April 2

8:15 p.m.--Symposium on Primitive and Contemporary Art Forms (Library Auditorium)
Dr. Roy Sieber, State University of Iowa
Theodoros Stamos, New York City
Robert McMillan, SIU School of Fine Arts
Harold Cohen, SIU Department of Design

April 3

10:00 a.m.--Illustrated lecture, "Why Nature in Art?" by Theodoros Stamos.
Shryock Auditorium

8:15 p.m.--Southern Illinois University Symphonic Band in a concert of Contemporary English and American Band Music directed by Phillip Olsson.
Compositions by Holst, Jacob, Kechley, Creston, and Barber.
Shryock Auditorium

April 4

10:00 a.m.--Lecture
Film Hour
Shryock Auditorium

8:15 P.m.--Lecture: "An American's View of Music," by Roy Harris, American composer and distinguished Visiting Professor of Music at SIU
Library Auditorium

April 5

8:15 p.m.--Program of Contemporary Music by Steven Barwick, pianist;
Robert Mueller, pianist and composer;
The University Chamber Orchestra,
and the University Woodwinds Ensemble.
Compositions by Francaix, Olsson, Cowell and Poulenc.
Shryock Auditorium

April 7

3:30 p.m.--Recital of Medieval and Renaissance music by Suzanne Bloch, world renowned lutenist, singer to the lute, player of virginals and recorders
Shryock Auditorium

Festival Exhibition - Allyn Art Gallery

April 8

10:00 a.m.--Recital - Music of Shakespeare's time, by Suzanne Bloch
Shryock Auditorium

8:15 p.m.--The Canadian Players of Stratford, Ontario, Canada, in a production of Ibsen's "Peer Gynt".
Shryock Auditorium

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April 9

8:15 p.m.--Lecture - recital; "Piano Portraits" by Boris Goldovsky, foremost piano virtuoso and interpretive artist.
Shryock Auditorium

April 10

8:15 p.m.--Lecture: "The Myth of Leda", by Dr. William Simeone, department of English, SIU.
University School Auditorium

April 12

8:15 p.m.--Southern Illinois University Opera Workshop Productions:

"Gianni Schicchi", by Puccini, directed by William Taylor
"Riders to the Sea", by Vaughan-Williams, directed by Donald Murray
Shryock Auditorium

April 14

4:00 p.m.-Recital by the University String Quartet
John Wharton, 1st violin; Margaret Schroeder, viola;
Karl Schroeder, 2nd violin; Aileen McCord, cello.
Shryock Auditorium

April 15

8:15 p.m.--Violin Recital by Louis Krasner, American concert violinist assisted by Adrienne Galimir and Elie Siegmeister in a program of music by Berg, Prokofieff, Stravinsky, Ravel and presenting the world premiere performance of the "Sonata for violin and piano" by Siegmeister.
Shryock Auditorium

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CARBONDALE, ILL., March.-- Dr. J. Charles Kelley, director of the Southern Illinois University Museum, today announced acceptance of a $10,000 National Science Foundation Senior Postdoctoral Fellowship for anthropological study and research in Mexico.

The award will be for 12 months, beginning in December, 1957, pending leave from duties at SIU for that period.

Kelley says plans call for study in Mexico during the first seven months with work centered on areas north and south of Durango where three SIU anthropological field sessions have been held. During this period Kelley will be affiliated with Mexico's National School of Anthropology and History in Mexico City. He will study interrelationships of cultures in the areas.

After an eight-weeks break to direct a proposed 1958 SIU Museum summer field session in Durango, Kelley will spend five months in research at the University of Arizona.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., March--Three Southern Illinois University swimmers will compete in the NCAA national swimming meet at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, N.C. in a three-day contest opening Thursday (March 28).

Yale University is favored to win the meet, which will feature more than 500 of the nation's best swimmers from 57 colleges and universities.

Entered from Southern are captain Joe Barry, a freestyle specialist from Edwardsville, and divers Bruce Coleman, West Frankfort, and Roger Counsil, Wood River.

In Southern's three-year swimming history, either Coleman or Counsil has always captured first in every diving event they have entered. It was no different Saturday (March 23) when Counsil won first, Coleman second, in the diving finals of the first annual national NAIA swimming meet held here. Neither had any high school diving experience.

East Carolina College of Greenville, N.C. won the meet with 54 points, barely edging out the SIU swimmers, who scored 50. Other team totals were Ball State Teachers College 31, Western Illinois 20, Beloit College 16, and Illinois Wesleyan 12.

Five pool records fell during the strong competition, with three men, Pat Mattison, Beloit; Dick Wells, Western; and Heinz Biekofsky, Illinois Wesleyan, emerging as double winners. Other firsts were recorded by Counsil in diving, East Carolina's 400-yard medley relay team, SIU's 400-yard freestyle relay team, and Bob Sawyer of East Carolina, who won the 200-yard backstroke.

SIU point-makers in addition to Counsil and Coleman were Joe Barry, second in the 220-yard freestyle, third in the 440-yard freestyle; Tom Harris, Highland Park, third in the 50-yard freestyle; Laurie Benjamin, Highland Park, second in the 200-yard butterfly; Vaughn Hathaway, Chester, fifth in the 100-yard freestyle; Terry Lockman, West Frankfort, fourth in the 200-yard backstroke; Bob Campbell, Kankakee, fourth in the 200-yard breaststroke; and Charles Strattan, Mt. Vernon, fifth in the 200-yard breaststroke.

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On Southern's winning 400-yard freestyle relay team were Barry, Harris, Bob Schulhof, Chicago, and Wib Stoever, Chester.

Southern finished the season with a 10-1 dual-meet record, losing only to the University of Chicago. Victories were over Grinnell (Iowa) College, Washington (Mo.) University, Bradley University, Beloit College, Western Illinois, St. Louis University, Air Force Academy, Illinois Normal, Missouri Mines, and Loyola University (Chicago).

SIU finished second in the IIAC conference meet.

Bill Heusner, former Northwestern and Olympic swimming star who has coached the Salukis for the past two seasons, says he is hoping for another good season next year since only six of the team members are seniors.

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(Note to Sports Editors: A picture of Coleman and Counsil was sent out last week; a picture of Barry was sent out earlier this year.)

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- Southern Illinois University's ancient dairy barn adjacent to McAndrew Stadium is succumbing to campus expansion.

In use since the University acquired the Simon place of 110 acres 45 years ago as its first experimental farm, the old barn and the tile silo this week are going down under the wreckers' crowbars. Once part of a neat farmstead and something of a showplace for visiting farmers of the area and for agriculture students at Southern, the barn more recently had become somewhat of an eyesore in the shadow of new campus buildings. Its companion farm home was wrecked two years ago to make way for a parking lot.

Although dilapidated and far from a model for modern dairy teaching and herd management, the old dairy center was one of the area's first to be adapted to the production of grade A milk in 1950.

Trying to become oriented in Southern's new Dairy Teaching Center one mile west of the campus is the dairy herd of 12 Jerseys, 20 Guernseys, and 19 Holsteins moved from the old barn under the direction of SIU dairy specialists Howard Olson and Alex Reed. The new herd home includes a pole-type dairy loafing barn; a pole-type, open-sided hay feeder; a 120-ton capacity upright silo with automatic feeding equipment; and a concrete block and tile building which contains facilities for two milking parlors, a milk room and laboratory, a dairy cattle judging arena, and living quarters for two student workers.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- Dr. Paul Bowman, University of Chicago psychologist and director of the Quincy Community Youth Development Project, will be guest lecturer in another "Personality and Mental Health" program at Anna State Hospital April 2.

Bowman will speak on "Social Class Variations in Personality Development" at the seminar, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the recreation room of the employees' residence hall. The program is the seventh in a series of 10 public seminars sponsored by the hospital, the Department of Public Welfare, and Southern Illinois University.

Bowman, who received degrees from Bridgewater College, the University of Pennsylvania and University of Chicago, has served as associate professor and head of the Quincy project since 1952. Before that he was associated with Dr. Noble Kelly, now chairman of the Southern Illinois University psychology department, at the University of Louisville. He also has served as European Foreign Relief Administrator for the American Friends Service Committee and South American representative for the Brethren Service Committee.

The lectures, dealing with mental health conditioning in behavior development, are followed by discussion periods.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- A program to make the rehabilitation of mentally ill people a "community wide challenge" is being set up by the Anna State Hospital in cooperation with Southern Illinois University and two state agencies.

Dr. R.C. Steck, superintendant of the hospital, said three separate committees will be appointed to implement the program, aimed at broadening the scope of rehabilitation efforts throughout Southern Illinois.

One of the committees will be a "community council" of interested citizens in the 22 downstate counties served by the hospital. The council will work with a group drawn from the Chiefs of Services of other Illinois institutions as well as a third group composed of SIU staff specialists.

Also cooperating in the effort are the state Division of Vocational Rehabilitation and the Department of Public Welfare.

"Through this organized cross-representation of rehabilitation experts, research specialists and interested citizens working from the community level," said Dr. Steck, "we hope to bring maximum attention to the problem of restoring useful, productive life to the mentally ill people of Southern Illinois."

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- Dr. Clarence R. Decker, vice president of Fairleigh Dickinson College, Rutherford, New Jersey, has been added to the speaker's list for the fourth annual Southern Illinois University Pan-American Festival April 14-18, according to J. Cary Davis, Festival committee chairman.

Dr. Decker, who also serves as educational adviser to Petroleum Oil Company of Venezuela, will discuss "Our Vital Stake in Latin America" during a 10 a.m. campus meeting April 16 (Tuesday).

The five-day Festival, centering around the theme, "The Spanish Borderlands," will open with observance of Pan-American Day April 14. The SIU Movie Hour at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. April 15 in the University School Auditorium will feature the movie "Sombrero."

Dr. Louis G. Kahle, University of Missouri political scientist, and Don Bolt, lecturer and traveler, will be other leading speakers on the Festival program.

Serving with Davis on the Festival committee are: J.R. Baxter, history department; J. Charles Kelley, Charles Lange, and Carroll L. Riley, sociology and anthropology department; Miss Vera L. Peacock, foreign language department; and Miss Annemarie Krause, geography department. The Festival will be held under the auspices of the SIU College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

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CAIRO, ILL., March--Civic-spirited residents are proposing a program of urban renewal for this historic river town which forms a "Gateway to the South".

Initial recommendations of a Housing Committee for clearing blighted areas and rehabilitating run-down neighborhoods were approved by townspeople active in a long-range community development program here Monday night (March 25).

The Committee urged that Cairo be divided into three districts for reconstruction, rehabilitation and conservation. It was proposed that slum areas be cleared, salvageable homes and buildings be "spruced up" to certain standards, and areas now in good condition be surveyed continuously for any signs of decay.

Creation of a Housing Department in the city government to condemn dilapidated buildings and enforce housing codes was also recommended by the Committee. Another proposal contained in a lengthy report called for setting up a board of people in building and reconstruction businesses to advise the building inspector.

Further proposals of the Housing Committee will be aired at a town meeting next Monday night (April 1).

The community development plan Cairo has undertaken with the help of Southern Illinois University entails a six-months program of committee research on many types of community problems. After that, townspeople will mobilize citizen action to carry out committee recommendations.

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EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL., March--A new metropolitan district on the Illinois side of the Mississippi River was declared a "definite possibility" by Southern Illinois University President D. W. Morris in a speech here Wednesday night (March 27) (following a dinner at Busch's Steak House).

Morris said that forceful leadership and cooperative efforts among communities in the Madison-St. Clair county region could bring about a new era of economic and social development.

"The potential for leadership that this area possesses is being demonstrated by groups such as yours," Morris told members of Community Progress, Inc. "If the leaders of the various communities will join forces to deal with common problems, progress toward a unified and smoothly functioning metropolitan district can be greatly accelerated."

Morris mentioned the need for cooperative planning on sanitary districts, utilities distribution and local government to promote greater efficiency and prevent unnecessary duplication of services. He also said area leaders should work together for a network of roads which would facilitate travel between Illinois towns instead of pointing most traffic to Metropolitan St. Louis.

The SIU president said prospects for metropolitan development in this area were better now than ever before. He cited the efforts of the Southwestern Illinois Council for Higher Education in behalf of a university for the Madison-St. Clair county area as one indication that communities in this area are willing to pool their efforts for mutual advantages.

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Morris suggested that area communities also work cooperatively for industrial expansion. He said improved navigation all along the Mississippi was an inducement for industry to relocate in the midwest, and the choicest industrial sites in this area were on the east side of the river.

Stressing the importance of organized leadership, Morris urged Community Progress, Inc., to pursue its objectives vigorously for as long a time as it takes to make East St. Louis a more prosperous and attractive community. He also recommended that the Southwestern Illinois Council for Higher Education continue to work on other bi-county and bi-community projects after its goal of a four-year college for this area has been achieved.

In reviewing the status of the college proposal, Morris described the function of the residence centers SIU plans to establish in the old East St. Louis High School building and at Shurtleff College, Alton.

Morris said these centers, offering a limited number of courses for college credit, would provide the nucleus of a teaching staff and a student body.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., March--Nearly 300 young journalists will attend a seventh annual High School Press Conference Saturday (April 13) at Southern Illinois University, according to Dr. Donald R. Grubb, director.

Purpose of the meeting is to provide suggestions for improving high school newspapers and yearbooks and to describe career opportunities in journalism. The Southern Illinois High School Press Association and SIU's Department of Journalism are co-sponsoring the event.

Advisers and teachers as well as newspaper and yearbook staffs from over 30 Southern Illinois high schools will participate in the conference, which will open with an 8 to 9:30 a.m. registration period at University School. Grubb will welcome the delegates at a general assembly preceding small group sessions from 10 a.m. to noon.

Luncheon speaker will be Goffery Hughes, executive secretary of Southern Illinois, Inc.

High point of the conference following discussion sessions from 2 to 3 p.m., will be announcement of winners of the Association's Best Story Contest and a Best Feature Contest sponsored by Southern Illinois, Inc. There are eight contest classifications.

Winners will be interviewed by Grubb and Hughes on the television program "Visiting Southern Illinois" at 5:30 p.m. the following Wednesday (April 17) on WSIL-TV, Harrisburg.

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CARBONDALE, Ill., March -- The complete existing files of the Jonesboro (Ill) Gazette have been given to the Southern Illinois University Library by I. O. Karraker, president of the Jonesboro First National Bank.

Dr. John Clifford, SIU social science librarian, said today the files are an excellent addition to the library's collection of Southern Illinois newspapers. The Gazette files extend from 1861 until the newspaper was consolidated with the present Anna Gazette-Democrat in the 1930's.

Clifford says the newspaper files have historical significance because the newspaper was suppressed for a time in 1863 because its "Copperhead" leanings and supposed opposition to the drafting of men for armed service against the Confederacy. The files contain no issues for 1863.

Earlier files from the newspaper's founding in 1848 until 1861 were burned when a detachment of soldiers took over the plant in 1863.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- Auditions for one-year music scholarships to Southern Illinois University will be held on the SIU campus April 13, according to Dr. Henry Bruinsma, music department chairman.

The tuition scholarships are available to players of stringed instruments, wind instruments, percussion instruments, pianists, singers and composers. Bruinsma said some 30 scholarships are available to freshmen.

Applicants must have ranked in the upper half of their graduating classes and have maintained at least 'C' averages. Application forms, available from the University Scholarship Office, should be returned to Bruinsma along with a letter of recommendation from private or school teachers and a list of compositions studied during the past year.

Applicants unable to appear on the campus may send tape recordings of two representative compositions.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- High school and adult vocalists throughout the the Carbondale area have been invited to try out for chorus and cast parts in "Carousel," famed Broadway musical scheduled to be produced this summer by the Southern Illinois University Opera Workshop.

The show will be staged at Southern during the week of July 22 and again in Cairo the following week.

Auditions will be held at SIU April 18, and all parts will be awarded on the basis of tryouts, according to William Taylor, musical director.

Taylor said high school applicants should live within easy commuting distance of Carbondale, since a rigid rehearsal schedule will be maintained from the beginning of the summer session June 17.

Students 16 years of age and older with previous experience in high school music-dramatic productions may apply, along with inexperienced singers who can present a recommendation from a music instructor. Applications and a resume of vocal experience should be sent to Dr. Henry Bruinsma, chairman, SIU music department.

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SOME CHANGES AT SOUTHERN

John W. Allen
Southern Illinois University

A bit of browsing in an old diary, plus daily glances across the Southern Illinois University campus, bring a realization that changes have come since that day in late March of 1908 when the writer first became a student here. Fresh from a term as teacher of a country school, he was admitted and classified as "Normal", whatever that may have meant. It was an impressive day.

Now, 49 years later, he is again impressed. This time, however, it's by the many and varied changes he has observed. Enrollment, for instance, has increased somewhat since April 6, 1908, when President Parkinson made the announcement that found its way into the diary mentioned.

The faculty and student body had met in the regular daily assembly on the third floor of Old Main. Attendance had been checked to see that each was in his assigned seat. A song had been sung, scriptures read, prayer had been made, and announcements were in order.

At this point the president stated with evident pride that the enrollment as of that day stood at 328, "including those in high school". It was not necessary to state the number on the faculty. One had only to count the 19 seated in an orderly row on the platform and add the three necessarily absent to help student teachers ride herd on the grade school pupils in the "practice school".

Now the on-campus enrollment has increased by more than 1800 percent and stands at 6,255, not "including those in high school". At that time nearly every student knew each faculty member by name and some of the faculty knew all the students. The general atmosphere was family-like. With the present enrollment of more than 6000 students and about 450 faculty members, acquaintance cannot be so all-inclusive.

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Also, the campus has expanded since that time. The University school stands on ground that was then a cow pasture, partially enclosed with rail fences, to which some faculty members brought their cows to pasture, returning to drive or lead them home at milking time.

Another farm criss-crossed with rail fences lay just south of a few houses that faced on Harwood street. This later became the "state farm". The physical plant now stands on part of it. It was across this farm that the first field class in ornithology, composed of four boys and four girls, was privileged to wander and clamber over the fences, being careful not totrample the patches of rhubarb, strawberries, asparagus and other truck growing there.

A few houses and barns stood along the roadway leading east toward Snyder Cemetery. A high and narrow foot bridge across Piles Fork enabled pedestrians to cross at flood times. The writer knows about this, for he lived across the branch, where he paid $2.75 a week for room and board. The Dowdell farm was definitely a farm. Portions of the present campus lying south and west of the original 20 acres were looked upon as hinterlands. "The Normal" indeed had a rural setting.

Changes also have come to the curriculum, better to say curricula. There were then no numbered courses. A few were designated "high school". On the "normal" level, pedagogy began with "E", geography with "B" and algebra with "D". "B", arithmetic, was considered a difficult course. Class periods were 45 minutes long. Since it was not necessary to rush long distances between buildings, classes were in session 40 minutes and the shift was made in five. Teachers asked many questions and students stood to recite.

As the end of the academic year drew near, class spirits and rivalries began to appear. Class numbers were painted and pennants were flown, some times in queer places, like atop the weather vane of Old Main. That came about in the following manner:

At intervals it was the custom to take groups of students to the tower in order that they might see all the way to Carterville. (more)

On a bright day the president conducted such a tour. Some in the group must have done a bit of extra observation, something like "casing the joint". Anyway, a class pennant attached to a cane fishing pole that was wired securely to the top of the rod above the N-E-S-W letters above the pinnacle appeared a day or so later.

The lad who placed it there lived to a reasonably ripe old age, thanks to an equally daring chap who went to the star's rescue when 'muscular cramps' froze him on the pinnacle, and arranged ropes to lower the amateur steeplejack.

Girls taking physical education dressed primly, if that term could cover a costume made up of a greatly oversized blouse, voluminous bloomers and long stockings, all in deepest black. Their figures were completely draped. One daring young lady was observed on a hot summer day, trailing well in the rear of the teacher and out of that person's line of observation, with bloomers pulled just above the knees and stockings rolled just below. The next day she was agin completely draped.

Research intended to reveal the habits, attitudes and beliefs of students had begun even then, and questionnaires were circulated. Only one question, somewhat personal and impertinent, is recalled. It was "Do you bathe regularly each week?". Physical tests and measurements were also coming into vogue. Again, only one score, 290 cubic inches of expired air, is recalled.

One meeting for "men only" was held in a classroom. It proved somewhat disappointing, for the president talked only about points of etiquette and good manners. After all, this meeting might have been helpful, for two young chaps began to tip their hats the next day. Later comparison of notes revealed that each had made his initial doff to the same library helper.

It would be fun to live another 49 years to see what other changes are in store.

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CARBONDALE, ILL., March--The Southern Illinois University Library has been selected for an area advisory role under a federal program to extend library service to rural areas, according to Ralph E. McCoy, SIU Library director.

As one of two programs scheduled for Illinois, funds have been made available to SIU through the Illinois State Library for employing a regional librarian who will work with the SIU Library and the SIU community development department in assisting local public libraries to extend services to Southern Illinois rural areas now lacking in library facilities.

A conference on the program is slated for Wednesday (April 3) in the SIU Library auditorium, McCoy says. Public librarians and library trustees from the area are being invited to participate.

Limited federal funds have been made available to interested states during the current fiscal year under the Federal Library Services Act passed by the last Congress. States are to match federal funds for improving library service in rural areas. The total program is administered by the U.S. Office of Education with the Illinois State Library directing the work in Illinois. A joint committee composed of representatives from the State Library and the Illinois Library Association selected the areas of service in the state.

In addition to employing a regional librarian there also is a proposal to establish a "bank" of books from the State Library at SIU for re-loaning to small area public libraries which need to supplement their own collections for increasing their service.

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NOTE TO EDITORS: Here is the first "Downstate Fisherman's Guide" for 1957, an unusual piece written by Fred Fromm, associate editor of the "Menard Times." Fromm will complete his sentence at Menard in less than a year. The "Guide" will be mailed on Mondays for the remainder of the season. We repeat last year's plea for reports of catches in your own area.

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Somehow I feel almost like Ol' Gravel-Voice. "Gonna hang a sign upon my door--'Gone Fishin'," he sings. I see the signs. I'm of the clan. I hear the good life calling. And I've got to answer.

Gone fishin'--if I could go, I'd go to a certain lake I know. A lake about 75 miles from here. It's called Horseshoe, and it was the lake of my boyhood.

Horseshoe's a funny kind of lake. It's shallow, and shaped like its namesake. Wanders over several hundred acres in a wooded depression in Alexander county. As lakes go, it probably doesn't amount to much. Too many trees, no place to swim. Non-sportsmen might find it dreary. Ducks and geese like it though--and hunters and fishermen. It's a Federal wildlife preserve.

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THE DOWNSTATE FISHERMAN'S GUIDE
By Pete Brown

(From reports by the Southern Illinois University Cooperative Fisheries Research Laboratory and the Illinois Department of Conservation.)

Fred Fromm, like most fishermen, has a particular fondness for the place where he first learned the peculiar rewards of fishing. For Fromm, though, the urge and the deed are not equally possible: he is a prisoner at Menard Penitentiary.

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There's a kind of spell attached to Horseshoe. The water's dark and old and musty. It's not like your impoundments--water, water everywhere. It's filled with patches of buckbrush and trees. Great cypresses roost on pedastaled knees along the banks, and tupelo gums rise in clusters. Mystery swims with the water between the trunks. The trees are all over, and the lake's filled with mossy, grandpa logs and ageless stumps. Wild roses, tiger lilies and other flowers lift their heads everywhere in scattered profusion. Time doesn't mean much at Horseshoe, and when you see it you kind of wonder where you are and think maybe Mason and Dixon made an error back in 1763.

I first touched Horseshoe--and it me--when I was a kid. Went with my dad the first time, as I remember. As I grew older, I went with others, one of whom was a Japanese. I learned my fishing lore from his educated hand.

I remember a lot about him, but one thing more than any other now. We were out in a john-boat affair after crappie. bait-fishing, most would call it. We were moving around, sculling, dropping in here and there, when suddenly we came to a giant cypress. It had a big hollow in front, and my tutor back-handed the boat to a standstill.

"You want the big bass, eh?" he said. "Put there--six inches deep."

I did--and was the most surprised kid in the world when I came out with four pounds of fighting largemouth.

It was what I wanted. The Japanese taught me a lot. He could do no wrong, after the bass. He tied his own flies, laminated his own rods. He was a photographer and had a special corner in his studio for a fishing work bench. I visited there many times. Often he'd talk about Japan.

"Not like here like in Ja-pan," he'd say. "In Ja-pan the water is clear--almost so--" he'd wave his hand about, "you see the fish--way down."

The war came, and we fished no longer. I went overseas. I heard later my fishing friend was detained, then released. When I came back, I saw him. He was just like before, except he didn't fish at Horseshoe anymore. He went further away.

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For some the spell Horseshoe weaves never dies. I'm one, and another, is a school principal I know. I fished with him for the first time after the war. He had been very ill. The doctors had told him there wasn't much hope. He rigged up a seat in his boat and went to Horseshoe. I guess he figured that if he had to die, he'd die doing something he loved.

Horseshoe cured him. I saw it, and he's been mixing his principaling with his fishing ever since.

Then there's a minister I know. I came upon him one day out at the lake. He was sitting in a little grassy place, with his Bible and notes spread out before him. Had a rod propped up on the bank, and ten feet out a bright cork bobbed. I sat down with him to talk.

"I gather my sermons together out here," he said, perhaps by way of explanation. A wild canary lit on a bush nearby, and the minister's eyes twinkled. "I guess somehow I feel closer to God--and closer to my people."

He was close to the fish, too--because he had three good-sized bass on a string tied to a log.

I guess I feel like that minister. Something does reach a man at Horseshoe. Way down inside and grabs him where a man begins. He feels himself, and begins to know the things that should be. It's wild and it's clean there. Somehow I always leave the world behind there--if only for a little while. I'll go back the first chance I get.

Maybe that's an indication of boyishness. Maybe that's what a psychiatrist would say. I wouldn't know, but the feeling is there and it's a good feeling. If "growing up" at this stage of the game would cause me to lose it, then I don't want to grow up.

Fishing is a sport--one of the great ones. Probably it's the best assist for a healthy, growing boy. I think boys ought to be close to nature, not bricks and stone and steel--and jobs. They need to grow into life, they'll meet it head-on soon enough. Dads and friends and places like Horseshow might help. The kids would have a better chance, I think.

Horseshoe didn't keep me out of prison, but it was I who failed, and not the lake. I know a thousand others who are the better for knowing the good life.

There's other lakes other places. Probably there's bigger bass most places than the seven pounder I caught in Horseshoe. A man probably could catch more fish at Meade or Kentucky or some other lakes I know.

But it wouldn't seem the same--at least not for me.

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ATTENTION: FARM EDITORS

SIU COUNTRY COLUMN
by Albert Meyer

The busy honeybees have important functions in the whole scheme of nature. One of their more vital contributions is that of cross-pollination in certain flowering plants--a task that is performed incidentally in gathering pollen and nectar for manufacturing honey and beeswax.

Blossom time is near in Southern Illinois for the cherry, peach, plum, and pear trees. Within a few weeks thereafter extensive apple orchards will be showering colorful mantles over the hills and valleys. When this season arrives, honeybees will appear on the scene if the days are warm and the wind is still. By pausing quietly for a moment or two any person visiting a blossoming orchard on such a day may hear the steady hum of busy bees.

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Dr. James Mowry, horticulturist and superintendent of the Illinois Horticultural Experiment Station in Carbondale, says that honeybees are credited with 80 to 90 per cent of the pollen transfer in fruit orchards. The deciduous fruit trees are good sources of pollen for honeybees, but little honey is stored from fruit blossoms because the humidity usually is rather high during the blossoming season, and the bee colonies are not yet up to full storing strength so early in the season.

The fruit variety characteristics influence pollination. It is necessary that they produce good pollen grains and egg cells which will develop strong seeds. Cross-pollination usually results in stronger seeds and larger, more symmetrical fruit. For bees to do their work best it is important that the blossom periods of fruit varieties overlap. It is important that the grower plant varieties that will be compatible for cross-pollination.

The amount of nectar produced by the variety is influenced by the structure and the position of the nectar glands in the flower as well as by its physiological factors. The amount and concentration of nectar is affected by the humidity, the rate of evaporation, and the shape and structure of the flowers.

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It may be pointed out that not all varieties of fruit blossoms attract honeybees to the same extent. The amount and the chemical composition of the pollen is an important attracting factor. The time of blossoming and the competition available from other flowering plants will determine how much attention the bees will give fruit blossoms.

Weather conditions during the blossoming period have an important bearing on the activity of bees, and, consequently, on how effective will be pollination. Air temperature affects bee activity. At 60 degrees there is sufficient moving about for pollination, but bee flights are much better and more far-reaching at a temperature of 70 degrees.

Honeybees need a day with little or no wind for maximum activity. When the wind velocity is as much as 15 miles per hour, bee activity is reduced greatly. It ceases entirely when the velocity reaches 25 miles per hour. Rain also will stop bee flight, but the insects will be fairly active with high humidity which stimulates nectar secretion.

Bumblebees would be better pollenizers because they fly at lower temperatures and in stronger winds than do honeybees, but their number is too limited for the great job of pollination.

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A number of commercial apple orchardists rent hives of bees from beekeepers for use in orchards during the blossoming period. This provides additional income for the beekeeper and is a valuable service to the fruit grower. Beekeepers take care of transporting the hives too and from the orchards. The usual recommendation is one strong hive of bees for each acre of fruit trees.

Three or four days of good flying weather are needed for bees to become accustomed to their surroundings when moved to a new location. At first they will work near the hive, but from a long-established hive the bees may range outward to more than one and one-half miles to collect pollen and nectar. A bee usually visits only one species of plant on a particular trip but will visit many blossoms in a restricted area.

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Carbondale, Ill., March -- Junior and senior high school science fans from the 16 downstate counties of Illinois will exhibit their own displays and inventions at the annual Southern District meeting of the Illinois Junior Academy of Science at Southern Illinois University Saturday (April 6).

More than 100 students have entered the exhibition, to be held at University School gymnasium. Winners will be represented at the state Academy of Science meeting at Normal May 3-4.

Exhibit entries, covering fields of research from aeronautics to zoology, will be judged on the basis of scientific work, originality, accuracy, presentation, workmanship and comprehension. Dr. Walter Welch, chairman of the SIU botany department and treasurer of the Illinois Academy, will present awards at the closing afternoon session. The top boy and girl winners will be offered one-year scholarships to Southern.

The exhibits will be open to the public after 12:30 p.m. Participating students will elect officers at a 12:45 p.m. business meeting. A film on careers in medical technology and another, "Four on Safari," narrated by Dr. S. Glidden Baldwin, Danville physician, will be shown to delegates during the afternoon.

SIU faculty members will judge the exhibits.

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Cairo, Ill., March -- Some 300 Cairo homemakers will be interviewed during the month of April in a study of conditions which influence participation in community affairs.

Dr. Anna C. Fults, professor of home economics at Southern Illinois University, and two graduate students will try to find out how family size, length of residence in a community, childrens' ages, employment status and other factors affect the relation between family and community. The project will start Monday (April 1) and will take 15 or 20 days.

Dr. Fults' research will be done in conjunction with an overall community development program Cairo is carrying out with the help of the University. The interviewers expect to reach about 10 per cent of the families in Cairo, selected by random sample from a census recently taken by community development volunteers.

In 20-minute interviews, housewives and mothers will be asked about part-time employment, and the amount of time spent in shopping, housework, laundry and other family duties which may be limiting their participation in civic or social functions.

Results of the survey are expected to be helpful in planning future community development activities. Dr. Fults' study is being supported by a University grant so that basic information about Southern Illinois homemakers will be available to the home economics department.

Families will be selected for interview from every 10th census questionnaire sheet, but their identities will not be revealed.

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SIU SPORTS BRIEFS

CARBONDALE, ILL., April--A former member of a state championship high school track team, Ron Helberg of Evergreen Park, has been named 1957 Southern Illinois University track captain.

He replaces Julian Dahncke, Effingham, who transferred to another school to study engineering.

Helberg, 20, was on the winning 880-yard relay team when his high school--Blue Island--won the Illinois high school track meet in 1955.

South Suburban champion in 1954 and 1955, Helberg specializes in the dashes: the 100, 220, and 440. He lettered three years at Blue Island and lettered at SIU last year in track and cross country.

A physical education major, the six foot, 165-pound Helberg, captained the 1955 Blue Island football team.

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(Helberg is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Helberg, 9240 S. Trumbull, Evergreen Park.)

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